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Latest Reports From Canton.

INDICATIONS OF OFFICIAL SETTLEMENT AS PROMISED.

Strike pickets at Canton and out-stations were all withdrawn yesterday as previously indicated by the Kwangtung Government. Latest reports from all sources point to the first step of settlement having been effected smoothly.

The lack of information as to any definite official declaration of the ending of the boycott led to a little pessimism this morning as to the eventual outcome of the movement for settlement in Canton. The "China Mail" gathered this morning from a reliable source that a special National Day issue of the "Canton Gazette" yesterday, contains an announcement calling off the boycott, signed by members of the Central Council of the Kuomintang.

The declaration refers to strengthening the "anti-imperialistic" movement without defining such, however.

Yesterday's procession to the East Parade ground passed off peacefully, the nature of the speeches being unknown at present.

From the same source it is gathered that the pickets' examination shed is in process of demolition. This is on the Bund, near the Customs building and the Hong Kong steamboat wharves.

A gradual resumption of trade is regarded as a certainty, its volume being dependent on the measure of sincerity placed in the latest developments by the ship owners and merchants.

When Pickets Left.
Private advice down from European quarters in Canton indicate that there is no sign of the Canton Government's order being ignored.

Pickets were not to be seen yesterday afternoon but as no boat for Hong Kong has left since noon yesterday it is not possible to say whether the strikers have definitely withdrawn.

From inquiry made at the frontier, the "China Mail" learns that the strike pickets posted at Sam Chun, on the Chinese side of the New Territory border, left for Canton by the last train yesterday evening. They ceased activities at midday and the last withdrew about 2 p.m.

At the time of going to press, the last train from Canton had not come through. This morning, however, there was no interference at Lowu bridge whatsoever.

Strikers Praised.
On account of yesterday's holiday, the local Chinese papers did not come out this morning. "Extras" were issued, all indicating that the termination of the boycott had been effected as promised.

There is no likelihood of celebrations among the Chinese in Hong Kong at least until news is brought back that river steamers are going alongside the wharves at Canton, unmolested. But the general tone is that "the past should be forgotten" so that firecrackers and other forms of thanksgiving are not expected.

The Kuomintang has addressed an open letter to the Strike Committee, expressing admiration for the service performed and explaining the Canton Government's change in policy. The Kuomintang earnestly requests the strikers to conform.

Large marshes are being erected in and near Canton for the returning pickets.

Favourable Reports.

From other stations there are also favourable reports.

Between Mira Bay and Bias Bay (including the border village of Shataukok)—territory under Commander Lo Kwan, there are no pickets.

At Deep Bay—ports of Nam Tau, Hau Hoi, etc.—there are also no pickets but there is no trade owing to the absence of direct communication.

Two trains still run between Hong Kong and Canton daily.

An official of the Chinese Administration, Canton-Kowloon Railway, is coming down to see Mr. H. P. Winslow, manager of the British section, to arrange about the resumption of the through train service.

More people are now travelling from Hong Kong to Canton than, say, a fortnight ago.

The last reports from Canton were that the city was quiet.

Diplomatic Attitude.

Peking, Oct. 4.
As regards the imposition by the Canton Government of a Customs surtax, the Diplomatic Body has agreed on the "whole either to decline to comply with or to lodge a protest against the proposal of the Canton Government. In view of the fact, however, that for some reasons, the attitude of the British Government is somewhat ambiguous, the Diplomatic

CANTON ADVANCE.

Fate of Kiukiang in Balance.

NORTHERNERS' LINE CUT?

Allies Shorten Line to Stem the Tide.

[By Our Special Correspondent.]

Latest despatches from the Kiukiang front point to further success for the Cantonese who are maintaining pressure against Kiukiang, the main camp of Marshal Sun Chuan-fang.

From the three other sectors, the northern Allies are withdrawing men to stem the tide.

Pro-southern sources claim that the Nationalist vanguard is already at the outskirts of Kiukiang. There is no confirmation from Shanghai, which is in Sun Chuan-fang territory.

Threat to Cut Line.

One reliable report says that the northerners are beginning to lose heart and that some detachments are making overtures to go over to Chang Kai-shek.

The front has been considerably

AT KIUKIANG.

Sun Chuan-fang Evacuating His Camp?

Peking, Oct. 9.

Contradictory reports respecting the situation in Kiukiang continue to reach Peking from there and from Nanking, but according to a despatch from an independent source in Hankow General Sun Chuan-fang has not completely evacuated the place, though he has removed a considerable number of troops.

The message adds that the Cantonese are now very near Kiukiang, and decisive developments may be expected.—Reuter.

Command in Person.

Kiukiang, Oct. 4.
The Allied troops, which retreated from Te-an, are fortifying at the foot of Lushan, under the command of General Chou Hung-chi. The number of the southern troops is estimated at 5,000 men. War supplies for the Allies are being transported to Nanchang by way of Lake Poyang.—Toho.

The town of Te-an was captured by the southerners last night. Some 1,500 Anhui troops have hurried to the town with a view to regaining it. Marshal Sun Chuan-fang has

YANGTSE TROUBLE.

Chinese Government's Demands.

ANTI-BRITISH BOYCOTT.

Women and Children Evacuate Chengtu.

Peking, Oct. 4.

In connection with the Wanchien incident, the Chinese Government is reported to have decided to submit three demands, namely:—

Reservation of right to claim damages.

Punishment of responsible persons on the part of the British Navy.

And guarantee for non-recurrence of such incidents, on the part of the British Government.

It is reported also that should the demands be not accepted by the British Government the Chinese Government will declare the cancellation of all unequal treaties concluded between China and Great Britain, and issue orders to all the Provincial authorities to enforce control over the navigation of British men-of-war in Chinese rivers.

—Toho.

Hankow Demonstration.

Hankow, Oct. 9.

A big anti-foreign demonstration is planned for October 10. The Concession is well guarded and all precautions have been taken.

The boycott at Chungking is serious and difficulties are arising as to food and supplies for the gunboats and the British community.

Some women and children are evacuating Chengtu, where a serious boycott is expected, and it is feared that a general evacuation will be necessary.—Naval Despatch.

Firing Incidents.

Shanghai, Oct. 5.

The local N.K.K. offices received a telegram from Hankow to the effect that the Company's vessel "Suiyang Maru" was riddled by bullets fired by the southern troops about noon last Sunday (Oct. 2) when sailing downstream off Huangchow. B. and S.'s "Ta Tung" is reported to have also become a target of fire by the southern troops at the same spot.—"Shanghai Mercury."

CITY MURDER.

CHINESE ATTACKED WITH A DAGGER.

A brutal murder was committed at Fat Hing Street (Central district) on Saturday evening with a dagger, the victim being a Chinese.

When the alarm was given the assailant had made good his escape, and the police had the body taken to the mortuary.

Details of the murder are lacking at the moment, but officers of the Criminal Investigation Department are now busy taking down statements of people who were present in the vicinity at the time.

ARMISTICE MOVES.

Kiukiang, Oct. 4.

Since the occupation of Nanchang and Tayeh, by the Allied forces, leading merchants in the Wu-Han district, fearing the district may possibly be involved, have been making strenuous efforts to bring about an armistice, acting in co-operation with the peace missions from Kiangsu and Chekiang Provinces.

It is rumoured that owing to conflict of views between General Chang Kai-shek and General Tang Sang-chee, the latter intends coming to terms with the Allies independently.—Toho.

Kiukiang, Oct. 4.

To restore peace in Hupeh, negotiations between Marshal Sun Chuan-fang and General Tang Sang-chee are now being conducted at Hankow through the good offices of leading Chinese merchants.

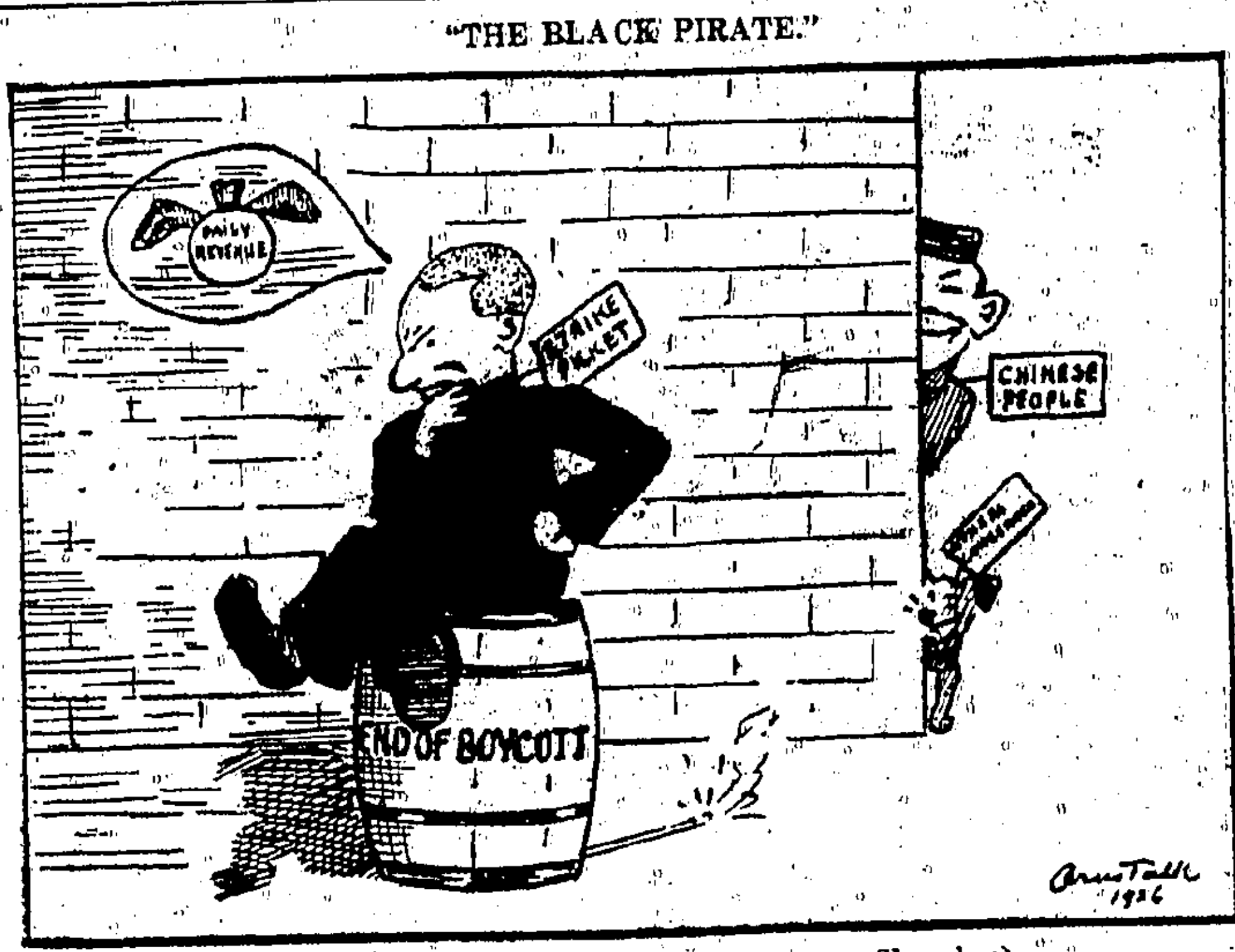
Tang Disappointed.

Hankow, Oct. 9.

It is reported that Gen. Tang Sang-chee (commanding 74th Nationalist Army) is dissatisfied with his position in the southern army and has made overtures to Marshal Sun Chuan-fang.

It is also reported that Marshal Chang Kai-shek has gone to Canton owing to the situation there.

Wuchang has capitulated, and it is probable that this is not unexpected with Gen. Tang's alleged defection.—Naval Despatch.



(Strictly Hongkong-Canton version of a famous film play).

Body has not yet definitely manifested its attitude.—"Toho."

Future Relations.

London, Oct. 10.

A plea for better relations between the Chinese Kuomintang and the British Government was made by Comdr. Kenworthy, M.P., speaking at the dinner of the Kuomintang Society in London.

He said the talk about the Kuomintang being under the thumb of Russia was all nonsense. It represented organised Liberal and Progressive opinion, working for the restoration of the Chinese constitution and parliament, and was bound to triumph finally, because democracy always triumphs over dictatorship.—Reuter.

COSTLY "SMOKES."

THEFT FROM EUROPEAN STORE.

EURASIAN JAILED.

A Eurasian by the name of George Clayton was charged before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy this morning with the theft of a quantity of cigarettes valued at \$17.

Defendant pleaded guilty to the charge.

Det. Sergeant Carey in giving the facts of the case said that the defendant went into the store of Messrs. Donnelly and Wayne on Thursday and stating that he was a seafarer asked the salesman for 1,000 Kamatis cigarettes. While the salesman held the package in his hand and turned round to fetch some bottles of whisky which was then asked for, defendant snatched the package and ran down the street. He was chased and caught by a Chinese constable.

A record being produced to show a previous conviction for theft one year ago, defendant was sentenced to one month's hard labour.

shortened, operations being mainly confined to the northern half of the railway between Nanchang and Kiukiang.

Other southern divisions which were further away last week have now moved up, threatening to cut the northerners' line near Te-an.

The fate of Nanchang is unknown but it is feared that the Allies there, and further south in Kiangsi, are in a predicament.

WUCHANG'S FATE.

Southerners Take Possession of City.

Shanghai, Oct. 11.

The "North China Daily News" is reliably informed from Hankow that the Wuchang peace agreement was signed at 4 p.m. on Oct. 8.

The southerners are reported to have taken possession of the city at 2.30 on Oct. 9, completing taking over yesterday.—Reuter.

Rugby, Oct. 10.

Reports from Hankow state that Wuchang (on the opposite side of the Yangtze River) which has been invested for many weeks, by the Cantonese forces has now capitulated.—British Wireless Service.

Before Surrender.

Peking, Oct. 9.

The conditions in Wuchang have been greatly exaggerated according to a foreign telegram from Hankow, which states that American visitors there on October 7 found considerable loss of life among the women and children, who were trampled to death at the gates, but practically no deaths from starvation.

All the Americans are safe and well.

As it is understood that the Northerners at last are approaching a compromise settlement with the attackers the exodus from Wuchang has virtually ceased.—Reuter.

Washington, Oct. 9.

The Secretary for State, Mr. Kellogg, has instructed the American Minister at Peking to do his utmost to aid the non-combatants at Wuchang.—Reuter's American Service.

ordered a special train to be prepared. He is proceeding to the battle front.

Gunboats to Help?

The northern men-of-war "Kiangsi" and "Chuyi" intend to obstruct the connection of the southern troops by plying the river between E-cheng and Huanggang, and to bombard the southerners at an opportune time.

The southern troops, some 3,000 men strong, which retreated from Hsingkuo, have appeared in Wuning and are now facing General Hsieh Hung-hsun's troops.

Allied forces have been threatening the rear of the southern troops at Wuchang from the direction of Tayeh. The strength of the troops, which landed at Tayeh, is a little less than 5,000 men.—Toho.

Fierce Battle.

Kiukiang, Oct. 3.

The opposing troops, now engaged in a fierce battle in the region of Kao-an, are General Chen Chun-yen's soldiers about 10,000 strong, and the southern troops, some 10,000 in number, under the command of General Chang Kai-shek himself.

One brigade of northern troops belonging to General Lu Hsiang-ting are being despatched to this region to reinforce the right wing of General Cheng Chun-yen's troops.

Although the two armies are making frantic efforts, considering that the battle decides the fates of the two armies, General Tang Ju-chao's troops, which are staying near Changsha, have not moved.

Mysterious Slowdown.

Moreover, the Anhui troops, which proceeded to Hsingkuo district, are slow in their movements in spite of the fact that the southern troops have appeared in the region of Te-an.

Such being the case, it can be said that this is a decisive battle between Marshal Sun Chuan-fang's troops and General Chang Kai-shek's troops.

General Li Chang-jen is at present commanding his troops in the region of Te-an.—Toho.

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Two Nippon Yusen "Kaisha" steamers arrived this morning. The "Tamba Maru" brought about 150 tons of cargo, and mail but no passengers for Hong Kong. She will sail for Bombay via Singapore tomorrow at noon. The "Tenyo Maru" came from San Francisco via Japan and Shanghai bringing over 20 passengers, cargo and mail for Hong Kong.

The C.P.R. liner "Empress of Asia" arrived today at 10.30 a.m. with passengers, cargo and Manila mail for discharge here. She will sail for Vancouver, via Shanghai and Japan.

Besides 500 tons of general cargo the s.s. "Haihong" of the Douglas S.S. Co. brought also livestock from Foochow and Amoy. On her way here, the "Haihong" experienced a very rough sea and a strong N.E. gale.

The Japanese steamer "Alaska Maru" arrived this morning from Yokohama and Shanghai encountering the "tail" of the typhoon. She brought 113 tons of general cargo and has on board 6,100 tons for ports beyond. The "Alaska Maru" sails for Calcutta tomorrow.

Encountering a strong N.E. gale and rough sea throughout her voyage from Shanghai, the B. & S. s.s. "Sinking" arrived this morning with 600 tons of cargo.

BAD WEATHER.

The official weather forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon tomorrow reads:—"East" winds, strong; overcast, occasional rain.

The following cable message was received by the American Consulate-General at 10.30 a.m. today from the Manila Observatory:—

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Alaska Maru (4553) Jap. from Yokohama and Shanghai; O.S.K.

Tenyo Maru (6274) Jap. from San Francisco via Shanghai; N.Y.K.
Nordmark (906) German, from Cebu and Canton; Jepsen & Co.,
Shirata (4872) Bri. from Kobe and Amoy; M.M. and Co., Ltd.

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The Rules for the Carriage of Goods by Sea were brought into existence as an international compact, but the suggestion for devising rules of sea carriage was originally contained in a report of the Imperial Shipping Committee. Australia and Canada have passed similar Acts to the British Act, but foreign countries have, with only a single exception, completely neglected their bargain. Complete uniformity within the Empire would, of course, strengthen the hand of the Government in making representations to foreign Powers, and thus help to bring about not only improved conditions of carriage but also fairer conditions of competition between British and foreign shipowners.

LAWN BOWLS.

SPEY CUP KNOCK-OUT TOURNEY.

Two matches in the Spey Royal Cup competition were played on Saturday afternoon in gusty weather, which rather detracted from the displays.

On the ground of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club the Club de Recreio (who at one time looked like winning) by 22 shots to 17.

On the K.C.C. ground the Indian Recreation Club were defeated by the Bowling Green Club by 23 to 17. The winners scored five in the last head, which shows that, up to then, the Indians played very well indeed.

BRITISH FILMS.

THE GREAT ZEEBRUGGE PICTURE.

There is a good deal in the current exchanges which has to do with the cinematographic revival in Britain. Firstly, to the list of battle epics, which includes "Zeebrugge" (to be shown here on Trafalgar Day) "Ypres" and "The Retreat from Mons" is to be added "The Battle of the Falklands." British financial interests are at last seeing the possibilities in film production and it is understood that this new Naval picture will cost at least £50,000. The only doubt which arises in my mind is, whether the tale is late in the telling, but America gets away with Chateau Thierry and Belleau often enough, so there may be a chance.

India has butted in with a successful picture, "The Light of Asia" and work is commencing on another spectacular film, "Shiraz," written by an Indian and produced on the spot. Lily Brayton heads the cast of 150 and the story deals with the romance behind the Taj Mahal. It may well rival "Chu Chin Chow" in splendour.

Flora le Breton, the British star, has returned from Hollywood and has joined forces with Carlyle Blackwell in a thrilling sea story. The producing concern beat America for the film rights of Noel Coward's "Easy Virtue" also. Another British picture is Ivor Novello's "Triumph of the Rat" which is a sequel to the sensational "The Rat," with the same star in the lead.

This is followed by the news that Brigadier General Fitzgerald, husband of Millicent, Duchess of Sutherland has been engaged as technical director in connection with a Hollywood production dealing with British life.

RED CROSS SPORTS.

The following swimming sports programme will be carried out on or about November 1 in connection with the St. John Ambulance Brigade, date, time and place to be notified later.

Team race, for the Sir Ellis Kadoorie Shield.

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NYANZA	7,023	11th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
KASHMIR	9,005	13th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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ARAFURA	6,000	4th Jan.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama
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PASSENGER LIST.

ARRIVALS.

List of passengers arrived from Shanghai per a.s. "Kitano Maru" on October 9:

Mr. Y. Anami, Mrs. K. Anami, Master M. Anami, Mr. G. A. Dunlop, Mr. H. J. de Figueiredo, Mrs. K. Hirota, Mr. J. M. E. Nickles, Mrs. T. Oda, Mrs. F. Oda, Master K. Oda, Mr. A. F. Rudolph, Mr. S. Sumari, Miss T. Schurhorst, Mrs. K. Suzuki, Mr. T. L. Theong, Mr. and Mrs. Wong Hong-kwong, Mr. W. J. Walker, Mr. Low Ti-kok, Mrs. A. Amada, Mr. S. Anzawa, Mr. M. Asanami, Mr. Chong Eang-lim, Mr. and Mrs. Cheng Fu-sun, Master Cheng Fu-sun, Mr. R. Daniel, Mr. S. Eda, Mr. I. Egami, Mr. W. B. Evans, Mr. O. O. L. Engster, Miss Nellie Fairclid, Mr. Y. Goto, Mr. K. Hayami, Mr. G. Hirano, Mrs. V. Inagaki, Mr. G. Kohza, Mr. A. Kamellim, Mr. A. Klehl, Mr. T. Kumagai, Mrs. Kumagai, Master M. Kumagai, Miss S. Kumagai, Master H. Kumagai, Mr. E. Kawatel, Master R. H. King, Mr. E. Lane, Mrs. J. M. Lane, Miss C. B. Lane, Miss P. M. Lane, Mr. T. Mori, Mr. O. Maeda, Mr. S. Mitsuo, Mr. J. H. Marshall, Miss J. Noordhoff, Mr. S. Nakaba, Mrs. K. Ninomiya, Master Y. Ninomiya, Mr. K. Ono, Mr. S. Okura, Mr. M. H. K. Stulenitsky, Mr. Z. Tezuka, Mr. F. L. Storkendries, Mrs. C. Smart, Master L. J. Smart, Mr. H. Tanaka, Mr. T. Takagi, Mr. T. Takagi, Mr. I. Takano, Mrs. K. Takano, Mr. K. Watanabe, Mrs. H. Watanabe, Miss E. F. Wilcox, Mr. J. B. Woods, Mr. C. G. Webb-People, Mrs. E. M. G. Webb-People, Mr. S. Yagi, Mr. D. Yoshida, and Mr. Yamanouchi.

DEPARTURES.

List of passengers departed from Hong Kong per a.s. "Kitano Maru" for London on October 9:

Mr. Egster, Mr. K. Hayami, Mr. S. Sato, Master T. Sato, Mrs. C. Smart, Mr. M. Suzuki, Mr. G. Hirano, Mr. James Williams, Miss E. Tandy, Miss M. Rosenberg, Mr. M. Fujii, Mr. W. S. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. G. Bolsius, Mrs. R. M. Webb-People, Mr. and Mrs. T. Kumagai, Mr. and Mrs. Chen Fu Sun, Mr. C. G. Webb-People, Mr. R. Daniel, Mr. J. Handa, Mr. Shek Yik-kwan, Miss C. B. Lane, Miss P. M. Lane, Miss Y. Inagaki, Mr. Z. Tezuka, Dr. C. E. Lin, Mr. K. Watanabe, Miss H. Watanabe, Mr. M. Stulenitsky, Rev. Father L. Storkendries, Mr. N. Hemmingstad, Mr. S. Yagi, Mr. F. E. Ulstad, Mr. K. Kishi, Mr. T. Mori, Mr. M. Assayama, Miss Nellie Fairclid, Miss J. Noordhoff, Mr. A. Kamellim, Miss Edith Wilcox, Mr. G. Kawazu, Mr. M. Okura, Mr. D. Yoshida, Mr. C. Wood, Master R. H. King, Mr. J. Marshall, Mr. Evans, Mr. S. Eda, Mr. S. Nakaba, Mr. S. Mitsuo, Mr. M. Yamanouchi, Mr. R. E. Teeford, Master Teeford.

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TOURISTS WESTBOUND.

A large number of those tourists from the United States who were among the first arrivals of the summer season are now returning to their homes, and the passenger list of the Anchor liner Transylvania, now on her way to New York, shows that 90 per cent. of the saloon passengers and a large proportion of the second-class passengers are returning tourists. The passenger complement of 350 is completed by the usual large number of quota emigrants for the United States.

Another batch of Scottish miners have left for Canada by the Canadian Pacific liner "Montrose." Some of the men intend to continue mining in the West, while others intend to work on the land. There was also on board a party of domestic servants who will settle in selected posts in various parts of Canada, and the usual complement of farm workers.

Portland, Oregon, September 30.

The "unidentified Japanese vessel" reported in dispatches yesterday as being in distress off North Head, was found to be the American vessel "Brant," a patrol boat belonging to the United States Bureau of Fisheries. Owing to indistinct signals it was thought to be a Japanese ship.

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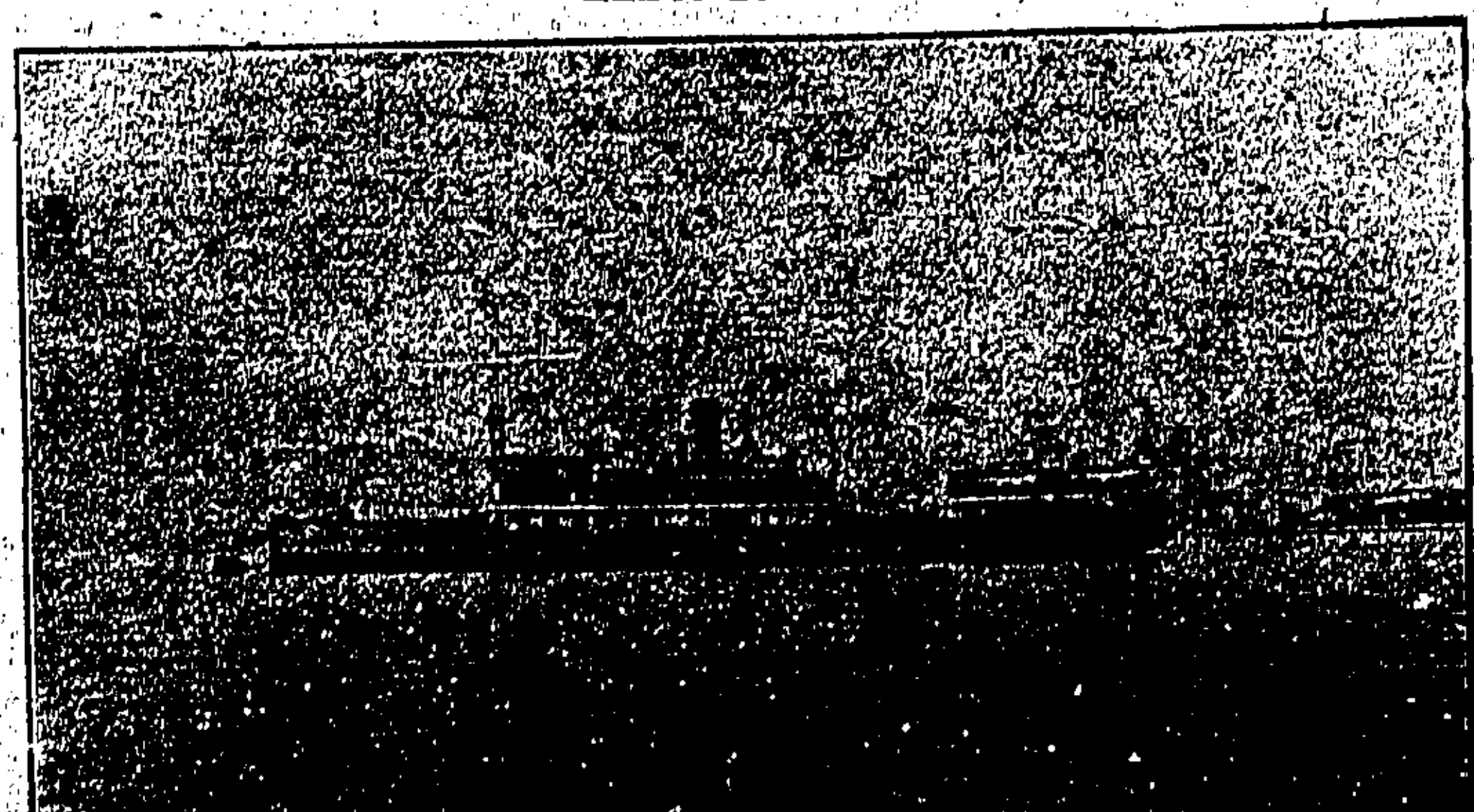
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TURNING OF THE TIDE.

At the moment of writing no definite news has come through from Canton recording the actual formality of terminating the boycott. Messages received in the Colony, dated Canton yesterday morning, however, leave not the slightest room for doubt that the official programme was duly carried out to the letter as arranged by Mr. Eugene Chen. In that event it may be proclaimed from the hill tops in Hong Kong, as it was on the East Parade Ground in Canton yesterday at noon, that the anti-British boycott is at an end.

Even until the news comes through officially that the boycott was terminated yesterday, there is not the slightest ground now for scepticism. It is a good old British axiom to hold a man innocent until he has been proved guilty; in other words, hold every man to be an apostle of truth until there is convincing evidence of "terminological inexactitude." On at least four distinct and separate occasions Mr. Eugene Chen, in his capacity as a responsible member of the Canton Government, declared his intention to call the boycott off on or before October 10. That should have been quite sufficient to ward off scepticism, pessimism, and controversialism—until midnight on October 10.

If to-day—October 11—Mr. Eugene Chen has been found to have "made good" and kept his promise, not one word more can be said. On the contrary, in the most improbable event of the slightest hitch in the pre-arranged programme in Canton yesterday, then naturally Mr. Eugene Chen will be the cynosure of the eyes of the whole world demanding to know the reason for his breach of faith and his departure from the truth. But this seems too great a stretching of the imagination to be laboured further. All the signs point to just the opposite. Even after these words have been written and before we go to press, an official intimation of the actual termination of the boycott may come to hand through the usual channels. So why worry meantime? From the date of the first pronouncement of the intention to

end the boycott we have studiously refrained from giving ear to the sceptics and the pessimists. We have simply taken Mr. Eugene Chen at his word—his first word—fearless of the consequences of being "let down." In most circumstances it is a poor old policy to cross a bridge before it is reached. Into the circumstances actuating the Canton Government to reverse its policy and to resume communications with Hong Kong we have not entered. We have been simply content to regard it as a matter of fact—with nothing to add except to urge local merchants to prepare themselves for the day on which the boycott has been actually and officially declared to be a thing of the past.

ITALIAN OPERA.

SPIRITED RENDERING ON SATURDAY.

"MADAME BUTTERFLY."

There was a large and appreciative audience at the presentation by the Italian Opera Company on Saturday night of Puccini's drama, "Madame Butterfly." Mlle. L. Ambrose gave a spirited rendering of the part of Cho-Cho-San and had to respond to an insistent encore in the second act. Sig. Caceff's acting was as magnificent as his voice in the part of Lieut. Pinkerton and Sig. G. Bignardi excellently sustained an exacting role as the American consul.

Mlle. G. Ciampaglia, as the faithful maid servant, had little opportunity of displaying her talent until the final act and in this she received well merited applause.

To-night, the well known "Faust" will be presented.

SURREYS LEAVING.

CEREMONY OF TROOPING THE COLOUR.

In connection with the departure of the East Surreys from Hong Kong, the whole Battalion took part in the Church parade yesterday at 4.45 a.m.

The ceremony of Trooping the Colour will be carried out by the 1st Bn. The East Surrey Regiment on Murray Barracks Parade Ground at 4.30 p.m. on Thursday, 14th inst.

It is essential that all ticket holders are in their allotted places by 4.20 p.m., otherwise it will not be possible to admit them to the ground.

Non-ticket holders, including Chinese, are invited to witness the ceremony from Garden Road.

Garden Road will be closed to motor traffic from 4 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. No photographers except the two authorised cinema operators will be allowed on the ground.

After the ceremony the troops will march by the road around the Hong Kong Cricket Club Ground on their return to Barracks.

In the event of heavy rain at 4.30 p.m. on the 14th inst. the ceremony will take place at the same time on Friday, 15th inst.

An improved frontage and enlarged departments have been achieved by Mackintosh and Co., the well known men's wear specialists, following the removal of Messrs. Komor and Komor. The building department has been elaborated and a number of extra work rooms have been fitted out.

TYPHOON'S TRACK.

PASSED TO S.E. OF HONG KONG.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

The typhoon which threatened to pass dangerously near Hong Kong on Saturday night, took a westerly course after the issue of the early warnings and passed 150 miles south east of Hong Kong late at night. The wind force registered at Gap Rock was eight and local barometrical readings showed a slight fall. The danger of experiencing locally a wind of gale force did not pass at once and the No. 2 typhoon signal was not removed until Sunday morning.

Locally, the effects of the passage of the typhoon were not strongly marked other than the prevalence of strong gusts of wind and of unsettled weather which, however, did not prevent many sports fixtures from being carried out.

As regards shipping, the typhoon warnings made a little difference to the river boats sailing schedule. The "Chuen Chow" did not run between Macao and Canton on Saturday morning and the "Fatsan" left Canton for Hong Kong four hours late the same day.

Due to the typhoon weather several mails scheduled to arrive yesterday were delayed.

The s.s. "Tanyo Maru" did not arrive until late with mail from U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai, and, therefore, letters and papers from those places were not ready until this morning.

The s.s. "President McKinley," bringing mail from U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai, and Europe via Siberia, was expected yesterday, but on inquiry it was found that it was not likely she would arrive before late evening or early this morning.

The s.s. "Pyrrhus," also due yesterday with Home and European mail (letters and papers, dated London, September 10) via Negapatam, was expected this morning.

There are several other mails from coast ports, also delayed, which will arrive to-day. The R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" was due this morning from Manila with mail, and, in addition to the delayed mails, there are no fewer than five mails due from coast ports.

The following statement, giving the history of the typhoon since the first report was made, was issued by the Hong Kong Observatory yesterday. This shows that the Colony has again been saved from the devastations of a heavy blow by the narrowest of margins.

The typhoon formed on the morning of October 5, about 700 miles east of Manila. Travelling W.N.W. it passed a little to the north of Aparai at about midnight on October 7-8. On the evening of the 8th its track altered to west, and the centre passed a few miles south of Pratas at 6 a.m. on October 9, causing winds of full typhoon force at that station.

"Before reaching Pratas its rate of progression decreased from 12 to 8 m.p.h., and it appeared to be almost stationary between 5 p.m. on the 9th and 3 a.m. on the 10th. At 8 a.m. it appeared to be filling up or moving W. by S. At Gap Rock a strong northerly gale was experienced until 3 a.m. on the 10th, when the wind began to decrease and year slowly. By 10 a.m. it was N.E. force 7.

"In view of its severity and of the existence of a strong, anti-cyclone over China it is surprising that the typhoon caused so little wind at Hongkong. It was expected that the combined monsoon and typhoon winds would cause winds above rather than below the average for typhoons at such a distance (160 miles) from the Colony.

"The typhoon probably lost its energy on account of the relatively cold dry current feeding it from northward."

Later Bulletins.

The following telegram was received yesterday from Manila by the American Consulate.

October 10, 5.40 p.m.—Typhoons in about Long, 113 E. and Lat. 19 N., moving W.; and Long 126 E. and Lat. 17 N., direction unknown.

FLOOD OF MAIL.

With the arrival of a number of ships delayed by the typhoon, the local Post Office had a flood of mails this morning.

The s.s. "President McKinley" discharged 623 bags of mail from the U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai. Included in this total were 36 bags from Europe via Siberia.

Home and European mails (letters and papers dated London, September 10) by the s.s. "Pyrrhus" were expected at the office about noon, the vessel having arrived in the morning.

Another U.S.A. mail by the "Tanyo Maru" was awaiting discharge at any time to-day.

The s.s. "Tanyo Maru" brought mails from Japan and Shanghai. The sorting of letters was proceeding this morning and will, it is expected, be continued until a late hour to-day.

WEEK-END GALES.

HEAVY SEAS IN ENGLISH CHANNEL.

VESSEL RUNS AGROUND.

Rugby, Oct. 10.
During the week-end, gales and heavy seas were experienced in the English Channel.

Prince Arthur of Connaught, Earl Haig, Mr. L. S. M. Amery, Colonial Secretary, General Hertzog (the Premier of South Africa), Mrs. Louis Botha, and many other distinguished people in a large party crossing to Boulogne to attend the unveiling ceremony at Delville Wood to-day of the South African Memorial, had an unpleasant experience.

The Channel boat "Biarritz," by which they travelled, had an extremely rough crossing and on entering Boulogne harbour during the gale, with a strong current running, grounded in the fairway. The vessel was refloated after half an hour, no damage being done.—British Wireless Service.

EUROPE'S TRADE.

IMPORTANT CONFERENCE IN LONDON.

Rugby, Oct. 9.

Referring to the private and unofficial meeting taking place this week-end at Colonel Ashley's country house between prominent business men from Germany and Great Britain, "The Times" says that the meeting arose out of a desire by business men in both countries to discover how far it was possible for industry in leading countries of Europe to co-operate in the rehabilitation of prosperous employment.

Whether definite results can be achieved or not, it is believed that a mutual exchange of views can do nothing but good, both in the advancement of industrial interests in Europe and the production of a healthy spirit.

The fact that only Great Britain and Germany are represented at these informal conversations does not in any way indicate that other countries of Europe are being forgotten, and it is stated with assurance that this conference, if it is successful, will be only the beginning of further meetings with representatives of other great industrial countries of the Continent.—British Wireless Service.

Atmosphere of Cordiality.

London, Oct. 11.

There was an atmosphere of confidence and cordiality at informal conferences between British and German industrialists, representing banking, shipping, wool, cotton, coal, iron, dyestuffs, and other interests, headed by Sir Robert Horne and Dr. Duisberg, respectively, held at the week-end at the country house of Colonel Ashley at Romsey, Hampshire, for the purpose of examining the prospects of mutual assistance re-establishing the prosperous industry of Europe.

The utmost secrecy was preserved, but at the conclusion of the deliberations in the afternoon it was understood it had been decided to form a standing Joint Committee composed of an equal number of British and German representatives to pursue investigations.

Further meetings are contemplated.—Reuter.

BANK OF FRANCE.

REDUCED PRICE FOR SILVER CURRENCY.

Paris, Oct. 10.

The newspapers state that owing to the slump in silver the Bank of France, which recently began buying gold and silver from the public at a fixed price, has decided to suspend, from October 11 until further notice, the purchase of silver, while gold will be bought on a basis of 19.55 francs per gramme of fine gold, instead of at 19.75 as hitherto.—Reuter.

GERMAN ARMY.

THE REICHSWEHR'S NEW "CHIEF."

Berlin, Oct. 10.

General Heye, Commander of the Koenigsberg division of the Reichswehr, has been appointed to succeed General von Sack.—Reuter.

LESS WORK.

LABOUR'S BIG MOVE IN AMERICA.

Detroit, Oct. 10.

The Federation of Labour has resolved to begin a nationwide campaign for the progressive shortening of the hours of labour and of days per week.—Reuter's American Service.

FRONTIER AFFRAY.

CUSTOMS GUARDS FIGHT SMUGGLERS.

FIREARMS USED.

Geneva, Oct. 10.
An armed frontier affray is reported from Chiasso.

Early in the morning the Customs Guards intercepted smugglers who were attempting to enter Italy.

The smugglers fired, seriously injuring one of the Guard. The pursuit was abandoned when the smugglers disappeared into Swiss territory, leaving behind twelve sacks of tobacco and pharmaceutical products.

Their trail bore blood marks which indicate that some of the smugglers were wounded.—Reuter.

A KING'S SON.

RECEIVED BY KING GEORGE.

CREATED A K.C.M.G.

Rugby, Oct. 10.

His Majesty King George yesterday received Emir Faisal, son of Ibn Saud, the King of Hedjaz, in private audience at Buckingham Palace and conferred on him the knighthood of the Order of Saint Michael and Saint George.

Emir Faisal is concluding his visit to Britain early this week, and is proceeding to Holland and afterward to Paris; thence he and his suite are returning to Arabia.—British Wireless Service.

NOT A REVOLUTION.

COMMENT ON CHINESE REPUBLIC.

London, Oct. 10.

Speaking at the dinner of the Central Union of Chinese Students in Great Britain in London, yesterday evening, in celebration of the fifteenth anniversary foundation of the Chinese Republic, Dr. Hu Shih declared that the Chinese Revolution failed because it had never been a real revolution—only a superficial change in the form of Government.

"We have been too conceited to understand the modern world and its new civilisation, and we never earnestly prepared our young men for the great task. We have been fifty years behind Japan in coming to a willingness to accept modern civilisation."

Chinese were sent abroad merely to acquire technical education, and almost none studied philosophy. The revolution found China with no leaders and had only given rise to many unscrupulous opportunists.

He hoped that the students would become leaders in the new revolution and make China a great modern nation.—Reuter.

A CAUSE CELEBRE.

JURY UNABLE TO AGREE ON VERDICT.

TO "TRY AGAIN."

New York, Oct. 10.

At the conclusion of the trial of ex-Attorney-General Daugherty and Colonel Miller, the jury were unable to agree after 24 hours' deliberation, but were ordered to return to try again.—Reuter's American Service.

SIR A. D. ACLAND.

DEATH OF PROMINENT GLADSTONIAN.

Rugby, Oct. 10.

The death has occurred at the age of 80 years, of Sir Arthur Dyke Acland, who over 30 years ago was a member of Gladstone's final administration and of that of Lord Rosebery which succeeded it. He was in his day a prominent educationist.—British Wireless Service.

LADY DIPLOMAT.

GOES TO MEXICO FOR RUSSIA.

Moscow, Oct. 10.

Madame Kollontai has left for Mexico to take up the appointment of Soviet Minister.—Reuter.

SIR J. JAMIESON.

Peking, Oct. 1.

The "Peking and Tientsin Times" understands on reliable authority that Sir James Jamieson, K.C.M.G., for many years British Consul-General at Canton, has been appointed to succeed Mr. W. P. Kerr, C.M.G., in Tientsin, and that he will arrive here to assume his duties about December 7.

Mr. A. H. George has already arrived to take the place of Mr. Hutchinson as Vice-Consul here.

LEAGUE SURPRISES.

Soccer Season Starts in Hong Kong.

CHAMPIONS LOSE AT HOME.

Surrey Reserves Get Bag of 15 Goals!

League soccer started in Hong Kong, for the current season, in a blaze of glory on Saturday.

Although weather conditions were not promising there was a big attendance for the new Chinese organization. Like one majority of the players, the spectators seem to have forsaken the older club—South China—for whom a few diehards put up a great struggle against the Surrey Regiment.

Kowloon seniors, winners of the league and Shield last season, went down on their own pitch to Club de Recreo who are playing in the top division for the second season. The Surrey Reserves bagged 15 goals in the junior division, against "A."

RESULTS AT A GLANCE.

Division I.

Recreio 2, Kowloon 1.
1/E Surrey 1, South China 0.
"Tamar" 2, China Athletic 2.

Div. II, Sec. A.

Surrey Res. 15, China Ath. B. 0.
St. Joseph's 4, University 0.
H.K.F.C. Res. 2, China Ath. A. 1.
Recreio Res. 2, Kowloon Res. 2.

Div. II, Sec. B.

St. Joseph's 3, Bank Portuguese 1.
S.C.A. Boy Scouts 3, China Ath. B. 0.
Molem 3, China Ath. A. 2.

Kowloon's Defeat.

Played at Kowloon, Club de Recreo winning by the odd goal in three, Teams:

Kowloon:—Durand; Wheeler, Young, Turner, Sims, McKelvie, T. Pyle, Spary, Cavell, Hayes, Mason.

Recreio:—M. M. Silva, W. C. Ogley, P. M. Xavier, S. Souza, A. A. dos Remedios, C. F. Remedios, D. P. Xavier, A. P. Fuentes, A. Gossano, J. M. da Silva, Brown.

Referee: Mr. Phillips.
Cavell drew first blood shortly after the kick-off but Silva equalised before half time.

Gossano put one in the net which was disallowed through Soares being offside, but the interplay centre-forward repeated the feat and gave his side the victory.

The soccer in this match was of a high standard. Recreio worked better as a team, while Kowloon were brilliant in places. The champions' forward line gave an indifferent display except for Pile.

New South China.

South China had the new experience of not playing before a big crowd of supporters and lost a rearguard action to the 1/East Surrey Regt. by the only goal of the match Teams:

Surrey:—Douglas; Cooper, Jordan; McGreavy, Mitchell, Bristow; Charlesworth, Cheeseman, Humberstone, Butler; Macklesworth.

South China:—Lau Hing-cheung; Cheung Wing-shing, Li Tin-sang; Tin Yuk-on, Pang Wah-wing, Fung Man-kit; Chu Kwong-yeung, Tin Lap-fat, Fung King-cheung, Chan So, No Sik-wai.

Referee: Mr. Gilbert.
In the first half the Chinese goalie gave the soldiers their solitary goal through his fondness for gallery play but he defended brilliantly after the breather.

Humberstone was the forward who headed in the ball to score.

Throughout the match the Surrey maintained pressure. South China doing well in defence. The infantry sharpshooters did not distinguish themselves in front of goal but showed excellent combination. Chan So missed a chance of equalising in one of the occasional sorties.

The Secessionists.

China Athletic took a point in their opening venture, their opponents being H.M.S. "Tamar" on the Club ground. Teams:

China Athletic:—Fau Ka-ping; Lai Yuk-tat, Lo Wai-man; Chan Woo-in, Lau Yuk-ying, Ng Po-lau; Pang Kam-wing, Pak-chung, Suen Kam-shun, Chan Kwong-lu.

"Tamar":—Avery; McCormick, Apps; Body, White, King; Robins, Stewart, Leonard, Worthington, Bennett.

Referee: Mr. Hollands.
Wong Pak-chung opened the scoring for the Chinese and Leonard equalised. Then Suen Kam-shun put his side again with a glorious bang from 30 yards out.

After the interval Stewart got the second goal for the "Tamar," ending the scoring of a well-contested match.

Among the Juniors.

Surrey Regt. Reserves had a field day against China Athletic "B" in section A of division II. The soldiers put on 15 goals without reply, Stairs finding the mark on 7 occasions.

St. Joseph's College were value for their 4-1 victory over the University.

China Athletic "B" scored one (through Lau Kau) against the H.K.F.C. Reserves who replied five.

NATIONAL DAY.

CHINESE OBSERVANCE IN HONG KONG.

OLD & YOUNG UNITED.

The anniversary of the inauguration of the Chinese Republic was observed as Chinese National Day yesterday, various Chinese organisations celebrating the occasion on the eve and actual day of the festival.

On Saturday night, Chinese merchants in association with the Chinese Y.M.C.A., gave a dinner on the roof of the Chinese National and Commercial Bank in Des Vaux Road, there being a large number present. Many restaurants provided special dinners.

Boy Scout Salute.

The churches and schools also took part in the celebrations, the Ying Wah College saluting the flag yesterday morning with all local Chinese companies of Boy Scouts present, patriotic meetings and a concert being held at the Sacred Heart College, with the co-operation of the Y.M.C.A. Day School and all services in Chinese churches being based on the subject of a reorganised and peaceful China.

In the evening, the Chinese Y.M.C.A., held a prayer meeting for the nation, the Rev. Yung Tang-shang conducting Divine Service, with Dr. Chau Wai-chung of the Chinese Medical Association as the principal speaker. The Kau Yu Fong Theatre was taken over for the Republican anniversary entertainments by students of St. George's School. The teachers and pupils provided an enjoyable concert. The South China Athletic Association held a reception, the opportunity being taken in honour of the several sporting teams who had recently won pennants in local games. The Chin Woo Athletic Association in Canton Road also entertained friends to an enjoyable social evening and entertainment whilst the young men of the Fish Dealers' Guild provided a musical concert for the older members of the Guild. At the Lee Gardens there was a brilliant firework display.

Relations With Britain.

Mr. S. N. Chau, in addressing the assemblage at the Chinese Club reception already referred to, drew attention to the auspiciousness of the day, when he hoped all trouble between Hong Kong and Canton would be settled. He prayed that from this day onward, there would be a continuance of the relations between Britain and China, a hope, which he felt sure, would be echoed by all present. He further announced that it was his great pleasure to be the conveyor of glad tidings from Canton which was contained in a telegram that had been received while the guests were gathered under the roof of the Chinese Club, to the effect that the strike had been declared "off."

This evening (Monday) the Ying Wa students will hold an entertainment in honour of the anniversary at the Church Hall of the Church of Christ (To Chai) at Bonham Road, to which all parents and friends of the students are invited.

All Chinese newspapers in Hong Kong issued special editions either on Saturday or yesterday in honour of the Republic. All articles and comments in connection with the anniversary were most optimistic, the chief note being that the Chinese people would eventually come out of the present conflict and chaos much stronger than before.

U.S. BASEBALL.

New York, October 10.

St. Louis Cardinals have won the sixth game by 10 to 2 from New York Yankees in the world series, baseball championship—Reuter's American Service.

through Johnstone (penalty) and King. Hill played great guns in the winners' defence.

Previous to the senior match, Kowloon Reserves and Club de Recreo Reserves equally divided four goals at Kowloon.

There were three matches in section "B" of division II. St. Joseph's College Reserves accounted for the new team from the Portuguese staff of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank by 8-1.

The Boy Scouts of South China A.A. defeated China Athletic "B" by 8-0, and Molem Club beat China Athletic "A" by the odd goal in five.

LOCAL CRICKET.

FIRST DAY OF INTERPORT TRIAL.

SATURDAY'S FRIENDLIES.

Six friendly matches and the first interport practice game comprised the cricket programme on Saturday. A drizzle late in the afternoon slightly interfered with play, but the matches were all played to time—although in bad light.

Interport Trial Game.
The first interport trial match on the H.K.C.C. ground was between teams of twelve captained by Mr. E. J. R. Mitchell and Mr. A. W. Hayward.

Mr. Mitchell's side batted almost the whole afternoon, scoring 192 runs in three hours.

Six wickets fell for 47 runs, the order of dismissal being Larimer (9), Brownjohn (21), Lyl (24), Lightfoot (41) Mitchell and Jex (47).

Captain Bridgland lived things up by playing a fine game until he was beaten by Bowker, after making the highest score (45).

The partnership between him and Captain Evers produced 55 runs. The latter also batted well for 38, and Parker improved the total by contributing 30 runs.

Bowker took most of the wickets, seven for 54, and came out with the best average.

Mr. Hayward's team commenced to bat in fading light and had lost two wickets for 15 runs when stumps were drawn.

The match will be continued to-day.

Mr. Mitchell's Team.

J. C. Lyl, run out 8
G. P. Lamert, b Bowker 4
Capt. Brownjohn, c Rumjahn, b Bowker 21
Major Lightfoot, st. Ismail, b Bowker 41
E. J. R. Mitchell, c Fincher, b Rumjahn 47
Capt. Bridgland, b Bowker 45
S. Jex, c Hayward, b Bowker 38
Capt. Evers, b Wales 38
J. A. Summers, c Ramsay, b Bowker 9
H. V. Parker, c Hayward, b Wales 30
F. Goodwin, not out 17
G. R. Vallack, c Hayward, b Bowker 10
Extras 10
Total 192

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Bowker 7 54 2
Wales 10 0 62 2
Rumjahn 15 1 41 1
Oliver 6 1 18 0
Ramsay 2 0 7 0

Mr. Hayward's Team.

A. W. Hayward, c Lightfoot, b Summers 3
G. R. Sayer, not out 0
A. W. Ramsay, b Goodwin 6
Extras 6
Total (for 2 wks.) 15

A. A. Rumjahn, H. E. Standage, E. C. Fincher, Capt. Walters, R. E. H. Oliver, J. D. Humphreys, S. A. Ismail, A. C. L. Bowker and C. D. Wales to bat.

Bowling Analysis:—Goodwin, 1 wicket for 7 runs; Summers, 1 wicket for 2 runs.

UNIVERSITY v. KOWLOON.

Travelling to Pokfulam with a weakened team owing to their best players being engaged elsewhere, the Kowloon C.C. 1st XI managed to draw against the University.

The home team had two big scorers in S. V. Gittins (71) and Samy (76). The former also took three wickets for seven runs.

On the visiting side Brace was top scorer with 43 and Duncan contributed 28.

University 1st XI.

H. N. Balhatchet, lb.w., b Fincher 12
D. Laing, b Brace 4
C. W. Lam, b Fincher 0
S. V. Gittins, c Buxton, b Fincher 71
D. K. Samy, b Guest 76
F. H. J. Traves, b Fincher 1
B. P. Ng, c Evans, b Bevis 0
E. Zimmermann, c George, b Fincher 0
W. M. Gittins, b Fincher 0
S. Hachiuma, not out 11
W. H. Sling, not out 8
Extras 17
Total (for 9 wks.) 200

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Fincher 15 1 45 4
Brace 14 4 38 1
Evans 3 0 28 0
Rosa 3 0 22 0
Guest 4 0 24 1
Bevis 3 0 26 1

K.C.C. 1st XI.

W. Brace, c W. Gittins, b S. V. Gittins 48
H. T. Buxton, lb.w., b Balhatchet 28
L. A. R. Duncan, run out 7
F. G. Bevis, c Hachiuma, b S. V. Gittins 0
Gittins 0
E. F. Fincher, b S. V. Gittins 10
C. T. Evans, not out 18
W. G. Guest, c & b Lam 4
N. H. Ross, b Lam 0
J. D. Murphy, st. Sling, b Balhatchet 1
Balhatchet 1
M. George, not out 8
Extras 5
Total (for 8 wickets) 184
F. Angus did not bat.

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O. M. R. W.
Balhatchet 13 2 44 2
Lam 10 3 27 2
S. V. Gittins 5 1 7 3
Laing 3 0 28 0
W. M. Gittins 4 0 15 0

C.S.C.C. v. C.C.C.

Playing at home, the Civil Service C.C. defeated Craigengower by two wickets. The result was in doubt when the home team were left with two wickets in hand and 14 runs to make, the light moreover being very bad. Careful play, however, took them ahead of the visitors' total before the ninth wicket fell.

Craigengower C.C.

D. Fritz, b Baker 0
O. Ismail, b Robertson 10
A. Zimmermann, lb.w., b Baker 0
S. Abbas, c Gull, b Spittay 13
T. Grimes, b Baker 4
A. Kitchell, c & b Robertson 2
R. W. Bradbury, b Spittay 3
F. Zimmermann, c & b de Rome 3
J. W. Leonard, lb.w., b de Rome 15
Kelly, c & b Oswick 29
Davis, not out 2
Watson, st. Strange, b Oswick 7
Extras 16
Total 97

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Baker 4 1 14 2
Robertson 4 2 15 2
Spittay 3 0 7 2
Witchell 3 0 13 0
de Rome 2 0 11 2
Lawrence 2 0 17 0
Evans 2 0 4 0
Oswick 1 1 1 0 2

Civil Service C.C.

F. J. de Rome, b Abbas 19
F. E. Lawrence, c Leonard, b Abbas 15
G. Gull, b Fritz 1
F. Baker, hit wicket, b Zimmermann 27
R. G. Robertson, c Watson, b Abbas 0
A. C. Witchell, b Fritz 7
N. H. Oswick, c F. Zimmermann, b Abbas 2
Extras 113
Total 113

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Fritz 9 2 38 2
Abbas 12 0 45 4
F. Zimmermann 5 1 11 3
Leonard 1 1 0 1

K.C.C. v. C.S.C.C.

Playing at home, the Kowloon C.C. second team lost to the Civil Service C.C. "A" team by 83 runs.

C.S.C.C. "A."

H. Harper, c Summers, b Kent 21
R. S. W. Paterson, b Hyde 4
J. MacLaren, b Lee 1
J. H. B. Nicholl, c Dand, b Kent 22
H. Westlake, b Kent 4
H. J. Pearce, lb.w., b Kent 0
S. Randle, c Hancock, b Hyde 25
T. W. Carr, b Hyde 2
R. Smith, c Hancock, b Hyde 10
J. O'Neill, c Smith, b Lee 5
C. Sara, not out 13
Extras 3
Total 109

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Lee 7 5 7 2
Hyde 11 4 31 4
Raven 3 0 16 0
Hancock 5 0 23 2
Kent 7 2 24 4

K.C.C. 2nd XI.

G. Lee, lb.w., b Sara 7
A. A. Dand, b Westlake 19
A. R. F. Raven, c Paterson, b Westlake 4
Smith, c Randle, b Sara 0
Hamblin, c Paterson, b O'Neill 15
J. E. Hancock, lb.w., b Sara 6
W. Hyde, c & b Paterson 6
D. S. Green, c Westlake, b O'Neill 9
R. G. Kent, c Westlake, b Sara 5
Summers, not out 1
Jordan, b O'Neill 4
Extras 4
Total 76

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Westlake 6 2 21 2
Sara 8 0 27 4
Randle 3 0 12 0
Paterson 2 0 10 1
O'Neill 4 2 2 3

RECREIO v. UNIVERSITY.

Playing on their ground at King's Park in their first match, the Club de Recreo defeated the University second string by 62 runs.

Club de Recreo.

R. C. Reed, b Sudan 7
M. F. Pinna, c Tajima, b Hiptoola 15
J. E. Noronha, c Baker, b Hiptoola 23
H. M. Xavier, c Baker, b Hiptoola 16
H. A. Alves, b Hiptoola 4
D. Almada, c & b Suleman 20
H. A. Barros, c & b Suleman 10
D. F. Lopes, run out 2
E. V. Hyndman, b Chan Wah 0
F. E. Carvalho, b Chan Wah 0
C. Souza, not out 8
Extras 95
Total 95

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Suleman 9 0 18 2
Sudan 7 0 35 1
Hiptoola 7 0 23 4
Chan Wah 5 2 0 12 2

University 2nd XI.

K. T. Loke, b Hyndman 8
R. N. Sudan, c Reed, b Souza 1
A. Baker, c Barros, b Souza 0
Tajima, b Hyndman 1
Hiptoola, c Noronha, b Souza 13
Suleman, lb.w., b Souza 0
C. H. Yeoh, lb.w., b Hyndman 0
Chan Wah, c Hyndman, b Souza 3
Kermant, b Souza 7
Darma, b Alves 6
Aziz, not out 2
Extras 5
Total 43

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Hyndman 7 2 16 3
Souza 11 4 11 6
Pinna 5 2 7 0
H. Alves 2 0 2 1
Reed 1 0 2 0

POLICE v. ROYAL ENGINEERS.

A team from the Royal Engineers scored an easy victory over the Police Recreation Club on the ground of the latter. The home players were handicapped by bad light when they went in to bat, and a drizzle further proved to the disadvantage. It was a bowl wicket at the end.

R.E. and R.C.S.

Sgt. Blondin, b Alexander 5
Spr. Goodyer, run out 10
Sgm. Holliday, b Johnson 59
Major Greig, c Condon, b Booker 0
S. S. Higgs, not out 66
Q. M. S. Roberts, b Alexander 1
Lt. Whyte, not out 20
Extras 20
Total (for 5 wks.) 162

S. S. Kelly, Q.M.S. Jacob and Sgt. Jones did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Booker 13 0 54 1
Alexander 12 2 34 2
King 5 0 22 0
Baker 7 0 30 0
Johnson 1 0 2 1

Police R.C.

W. E. Meadows, b Goodyer 4
F. E. Booker, b Goodyer 20
Dr. Craig, b Jones 36
T. H. King, run out 0
C. T. Alexander, b Goodyer 0
E. G. Baker, lb.w., b Jacob 0
Reynolds, b Goodyer 0
Johnson, b Jones 2
P. Condon, b Jones 0
George, not out 5
Extras 0
Total 95

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Jacob 9 3 21 1
Goodyer 10 3 34 4
Higgs 4 1 19 0
Jones 2 2 1 2 3

C.C.C. v. H.K.E.R.C.

Playing at home, the Craigengower C.C. 2nd XI lost to the Hong Kong "Electricians" by one wicket. Much excitement attended the close when the visitors lost their ninth wicket with the score at 121. The last pair saved the situation and placed their side 17 runs ahead.

C.C.C. 2nd XI.

H. P. Lim, c Way, b Dunbar 4
E. Hanson, run out 17
G. Mackay, lb.w., b Normington 13
Y. Abbas, b Normington 12
E. Mowling, c Murray, b Way 11
F. Schneppel, c Stanesby, b Normington 5
R. F. Luz, not out 7
J. C. Fletcher, b Way 0
M. S. Sanjana, c Murray, b Way 1
Way 1
A. E. Phillips, run out 0
W. K. Way, c Foster, b Dunbar 4
Extras 9
Total 83

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Normington 11 4 36 3
Dunbar 7 1 27 2
Way 8 1 12 3

H.K.E.R.C.

G. Murray, c & b Mackay 15
A. F. Paul, b Mackay 19
J. R. Way, b Mackay 8
T. L. Foster, c Mackay, b Abbas 0
S. J. Stanesby, not out 23
J. C. Dunbar, b Abbas 8
J. C. Thomson, c Mackay, b Abbas 0
G. G. Thomson, b Fletcher 23
T. P. Sanderson, b Way 1
S. J. Clark, b Abbas 9
F. Normington, c Mackay, b Lim 2
Lim 2
Extras 6
Total 100

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.
Mackay 11 2 25 3
Way 2 0 10 1
Fletcher 3 0 13 1
Hanson 1 0 2 0
Lim 4 0 5 1

W. T. Gresswell (of Ceylon and Somerset) has accepted an invitation from the Calcutta Cricket Club to play for the European eleven against the M.C.C. team in the match which will begin at Calcutta on December 24. Hubert Ashton, of Rampton (ex-Cantab captain), has also been invited but it is not known whether he has accepted.

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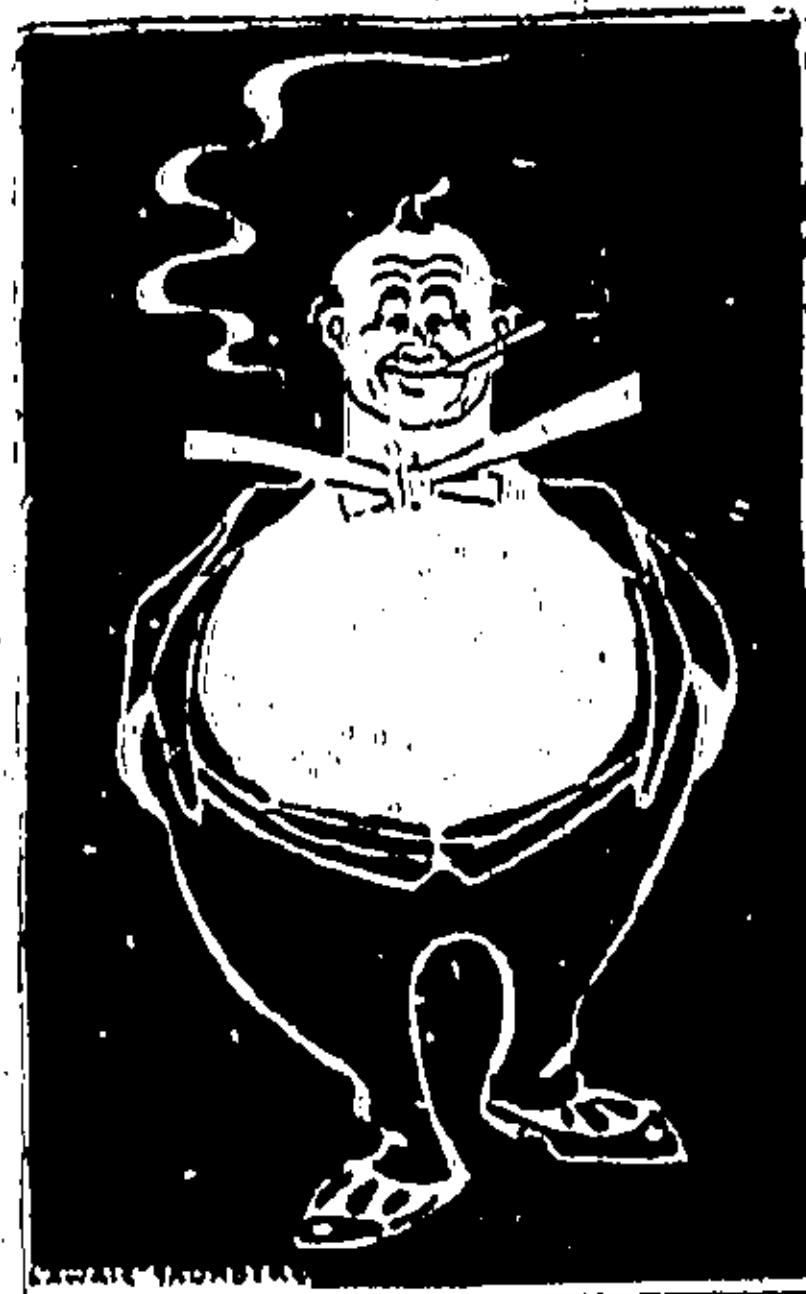
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New York, Sept. 30.—The United States prohibition chief, Mr. Andrews, will demand a \$18,000,000 appropriation, necessary to enforce prohibition during the coming year, it is announced.

In use for over two years, a tall aerial pole at Peebles has surprised its owners by bursting forth into life at the top presenting a bobbed appearance with its bunch of green leaves.

Leningrad, Sept. 30.—Poland has completed negotiations to buy 15 warships from Great Britain. The ships have all been declared obsolete by British naval authorities but are adequate to supply Poland's needs. It is claimed also that Britain has made a large loan to Poland to enable her to improve her port facilities.

Barcelona, Spain, Sept. 30.—Cantillon motor omnibus carrying 70 passengers turned turtle to-day at the edge of a steep embankment. Although the crash into the canyon was terrific only one man was killed. The explanation for the loss of but one life is that the passengers were packed so tightly into the bus that each body protected the one nearest it from the shock.

The Shanghai students are active in their endeavours just now to make anti-foreign capital out of the Wansien affair. Delegates have been sent to the Shanghai College Students' Union, the Shanghai Amalgamated Street Unions, the Shanghai Chinese Ratepayers' Association and the Chapel Chamber of Commerce, and these men have done their utmost to secure the sympathy of these bodies and promise of support in any action they might take in future. A student meeting was held "to discuss the matter in all its aspects."

The "boyless village of England" has a boy at last. Beanworth, in Hampshire, northeast of Winchester, was known because it did not boast any boys in its population. The parish vicar had to content himself with a choir of girls. Now he soon can have a boy soloist, since Mr. and Mrs. Knight have a son. The trouble is said to be a lack of cottages. None has been built in Beanworth for more than 50 years, so when the young men want to settle after marriage, they must usually find homes elsewhere. The young Knight boy has a slightly older sister, but the next in age among the young men of Beanworth is sixteen years old.

The monthly meeting of the Hong Kong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce will be held at 2.30 p.m. to-morrow.

Geneva, Sept. 29.—The Rhone valley situation is improved and it is hoped that railway communications will reopen on Thursday.

The "Mingkuopao," a Shanghai Chinese republican newspaper, reports that Shanghai students were to suspend their studies from October 5 to order to embark upon a lecture campaign in connection with the Wansien incident at which time an anti-British boycott will be advocated.

Moscow, September 28.—The Chinese Delegation of the Central Committee of Kuomintang, while visiting the International Agrarian Institute, raised the question of organising a scientific expedition to China in order to study Chinese village and its conditions of life, and to assist the National Revolutionary Government in working out new agrarian laws.

New York, Sept. 30.—The American Ambassador to Berlin, Dr. Schuman, who at present is in New York, commenting on Germany's steady recuperation from the effects of World War, doubted whether the nation could continue to fulfill the Dawes Plan in its present form, when larger payments were demanded. He pointed out that 1923 would be a critical year.

Berlin, Sept. 30.—In commenting on the performance of the anti-German film, "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse," at New York, the Berlin "Vossische Zeitung" refutes the "New York Times" claim that the performance was justified owing to the German patriotic films of similar character. The "Vossische Zeitung" points out that none of the German films was directed against a foreign nation.

Rome, Sept. 29.—Information has been received that the Governor of the Italian Colony, Erythraea, lately concluded an economic agreement with Inian Yehia of Since in Arabia. The Italian mission visited Inian a few weeks ago giving him many presents, including a motor car and an aeroplane. The Governor of Erythraea has now arrived in Rome to submit for the approval of the Government the said treaty which provides for the supply of important material by Inian Yehia.

The eight-storeyed Padder Building, opposite the Hong Kong Hotel, is to be sold on Oct. 19 by order of the mortgagee, the sale to take place at the China Auction Rooms.

A Chinese painter, while at work on scaffolding at Gresson Street yesterday afternoon fell from the second floor into the street. The man was taken to hospital, but died a few hours later.

Appeal is to be made to the Privy Council against a majority decision of the Singapore Court of Appeal reversing the decision of the Chief Justice, Sir William Marison, in the action in which Messrs. Lum Choon and Co. sued the proprietor of Lee Hong and Co., claiming \$30,174 damages for alleged breach of a contract to take delivery of 15 tons of rubber. The Chief Justice gave judgment for the defendants but this decision was reversed on appeal by the plaintiffs.

Berlin, Sept. 30.—A beautiful Polish dancing girl, wearing man's clothing, was an aide to the daring bandits who recently looted a gem shop in the fashionable district of \$50,000 in jewels. The detectives to-day ended the search for the girl when they learned that she had escaped across the German-Polish frontier. It was this girl who managed the smoke bombs which were used to cover the escape. Clerks told of a good-looking boy who hurled the bombs which later blinded the shop assistants. The clues were followed but the "boy" became a "girl" and made good her escape. It is believed that she carried the loot to a hiding place in Poland.

Tourists of all kinds figure largely in the passenger list of the Canadian Pacific liner "Metagama," which sailed from Glasgow on August 27 for Canada with 750 passengers from Scotland alone. A large proportion of these tourists were Canadians and Americans, who are returning from a holiday in Scotland, and there was also a number of Scottish tourists on their way to visit the many beauty spots of the West. There was also a number of specially conducted American parties. Other interesting features of the passenger list were five prospective brides, a large party of 64 domestics selected for special posts, another party of 15 miners, and a number of farm workers.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

London, Sept. 16.—Port Said.—The Orient liner "Orvioto," bound from London for Colombo and Australia, has run aground in the Suez Canal and is obstructing traffic and will probably have to discharge into lighters.

Fez, Sept. 29.—The Sultan has caused to be read in all the mosques a letter by the Sheriff relating his journey in France and expressing his gratitude to the French Government for the kindnesses they showed him.

Peking, Sept. 30.—Miss Louise Gaster, formerly secretary to Sir Ernest Wilton, former Inspector of the Salt Cabelle, and afterwards secretary to Sir Skinner Turner, left Peking for Tientsin this morning en route for Europe.

Mr. Chun Bing-him, managing director of the Nanyang Bros. Tobacco Co. and chief comrade of Messrs. A. R. Burkill & Sons, Shanghai, has definitely declined to accept the post of chairman of the Chapel Chamber of Commerce.

The Tupan of Honan has sent a message to the Shanghai branch of the Chinese Red Cross Society to the effect that he has given orders to his troops to take every precaution against injuring or interfering with Red Cross workers in the field.

Peking, October 1.—Miss Cheng Yu-shiu, noted woman attorney in Shanghai, arrived here Wednesday and was met at the station by many of her friends, including Dr. Wang Chung-hui. She came back to the capital for the purpose of mourning the death of her aged father and will not be able to receive visitors.

Mexico City, Sept. 30.—President Calles announced to-day that he would accept, on behalf of the government, a portrait of the Emperor of Japan. It will be presented by Japanese residents of Mexico in gratitude for the aid given in their colonisation plans. The portrait will be painted in Japan and will hang in the Mexican foreign office at the capital.

A Lecture entitled "Islam" under the auspices of the Shanghai Theosophical Society was given in the Shanghai Masonic Hall by Mr. Manuk on October 4.

Peking, October 1.—General Yu Chen, who has been appointed to succeed Marshal Wang Huai-ching in the command of the Peking Garrison, assumed his new duties this morning.

Berlin, Sept. 30.—King Alexander of Yugo-Slavia has a lived at Paris to confer with President Doumergue and Foreign Minister M. Briand. The meeting is believed to be of political importance on account of the Franco-Italian tension.

La Paz, Bolivia, Sept. 30.—Dr. Luther, former chancellor of Germany, arrived here to-day and was given a warm welcome. He was met by Government officials and a delegation from the German colony and passed through cheering crowds and flag-decked streets.

Information from Seattle, Washington, indicates that W. A. Chapman, former Clerk of the U.S. Court for China, in Shanghai, who was arrested in Seattle upon charges of embezzling approximately \$50,000 U.S. Court funds, is fighting the decision that he should be extradited to Shanghai for trial.

News was received on Friday evening by the local branch of D. Chellaram, Bombay merchant, of the death of the founder of the firm, Mr. Villran Dhanumal, at Hyderabad-Sind, at the age of 56 years. As a mark of respect the shops here were closed on Saturday and yesterday and will remain closed to-day.

Moscow, Sept. 30.—Mr. A. S. Tchernykh who has been appointed Charge d'Affaires ad interim in China has left for Peking. Until June 1925 Mr. Tchernykh was Plenipotentiary Representative of the U.S.S.R. in Finland and then was transferred as Plenipotentiary Representative to Latvia where he remained until his appointment to China. Mr. Tchernykh will act temporarily in the absence of Mr. Karakhan.—Tass.

Mrs. Ferguson, wife of Tsingtao Manager of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, with child returned to Tsingtao by the s.s. "Sakaki Maru" on September 28, after the child's recovery from a long illness in the Railway Hospital.

The death, took place on September 29, with remarkable suddenness, of Mr. Vadim H. Tiedemann, of 96 Rue de Paris, Tientsin, brother of Mr. P. H. Tiedemann, former Russian Consul-General of that city.

Capt. J. G. Johnstone, Royal Marines, who arrived in Shanghai recently, has taken over the duties of British Naval Staff Officer at H. M. Consulate-General vice Capt. R. C. A. Gluncke, Royal Marines, who is leaving for home.

Berlin, Sept. 30.—Foreign Minister Dr. Stresemann has received a letter from Mr. Ramsay MacDonald congratulating him on Germany's entry into the League. Dr. Stresemann answered by pointing out Mr. MacDonald's valuable services, which have helped to realise Germany's membership.

By the morning express, of September 28, a Japanese Railway passenger traffic manager, Mr. Inouye, with a couple of assistants, started from Dairen for Berlin via Siberia to attend the Europe-Far East Through Railway Traffic Conference to be opened on October 22 as S.M.R. Co. representative.

Much to the regret of her countless friends in the North, Violet, Duchess of Montrose, has decided to have her permanent home in London. It was perhaps inevitable in view of her position as Dowager Duchess, since in these days active-minded ladies of her position do not seem to care about burying themselves in the country in dower-houses. The Duchess has decided to settle in the Lowndes Square vicinity, and will be busy for some time moving in. Her daughter, Lady Helen Graham, will be with her when she is not on duty as lady-in-waiting to the Duchess of York. She is understood to be a complete success in her new position, and greatly enjoys the experiences that fall to her lot.

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SPORTS SECTION

SATURDAY'S RACES.

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PARI-MUTUEL DIVIDENDS MUCH HIGHER THAN USUAL.

An interesting day's programme for the Jockey Club's fourth extra race meeting of the season was carried through on Saturday, the last event being decided in darkness.

Only one favourite won during the day. As a result "total" dividends were high; three were over \$40 and only one less than even.

Mr. C. W. Sewell was unfortunate in falling off Demon Boy through the saddle slipping. He had to be assisted from the course.

Mr. E. A. Brodie rode two firsts and two seconds and Mr. W. T. Stanton two firsts. Mrs. R. J. Paterson's stable claimed two first prizes.

Times were on the slow side owing to the state of the track.

Dr. J. C. Macgown had the distinction of riding a winner in his "maiden race" as a jockey.

Messrs. Hall and Shenton won the Aggregate Stakes with The Goblin whose victory ensures the season's Cup for Saligia, belonging to the same owners.

CASH SWEEPS.

Cash sweep drawings are given below in tabulated form. Unplaced starters get \$50 each except where stated.

Race I.

No. 21 \$971.60
315 277.60
98 138.80
Unplaced Nos.: 473, 414, 66, 22, 318.

Race II.

No. 183 \$1,299.90
177 371.40
335 185.70
Unplaced Nos.: 175, 91.

Race III.

No. 452 \$1,488.20
335 371.40
4 212.60
Unplaced Nos.: 96, 22, 68, 373.

Race IV.

No. 77 \$3,609.20
100 1,031.20
491 515.50
Unplaced No. (\$100): 510.

Race V.

No. 202 \$1,697.50
699 485.00
288 242.50
Unplaced No.: 243.

Race VI.

No. 95 \$1,239.40
316 368.40
253 184.20
Unplaced Nos.: 56, 259, 64, 82, 157.

Race VII.

No. 135 \$1,394.40
335 398.40
462 199.20
Unplaced Nos.: 208, 221.

Race VIII.

No. 2 \$1,344.00
571 384.00
293 192.00
Unplaced Nos.: 230, 213.

1.—Wokingham Stakes: five furlongs.—For ponies that have started previous to this meeting but have not won a race since January 1, 1926. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription griffins of 1926 allowed 7 lbs. Jockey allowance, 1st prize: \$400. 2nd prize: \$150. 3rd prize: \$100.

Dr. J. C. Macgown's Sunburst, 157 lbs. (owner) 1
Mrs. Bernard's Barley Grass, 145 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 2
Mr. Dryadust's Saracen, 153 lbs. (Mr. Lucey) 3
Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Rechabite, 142 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 4

Also ran: Craigavad, 158 lbs. (Mr. Charles); Fireworks, 152 lbs. (Mr. Gordon); Rayfield, 152 lbs. (Mr. da Roza); Nell Gwyn (late King's Favourite), 148 lbs. (Mr. Sewell).

1 length, 2½ lengths.
Time: 1.21.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner \$40.00
Place 1st 8.90
2nd 6.40
3rd 7.10

Barley Grass started the day's tale of woe for punters. Not indifferently placed on the outside at the fall of the flag, he was simply not good enough to catch Sunburst Rose who felt in running mood and "came off." Saracen showed a burst of speed at the outset but faded away in the straight to finish a moderate third wide out.

Rechabite flattered while entering the straight. Brodie rode his hardest on Barley Grass but never got on terms. The winner shot out at the beginning and was only headed for a bit by Saracen.

Winner Place
Barley Grass 214 319
Sunburst Rose 43 37
Rechabite 40 35
Saracen 36 69
Fireworks 21 27
Craigavad 16 20
Rayfield 12 36
Nell Gwyn 2 7

2.—Reading Handicap: "A" Class: six furlongs.—For China ponies. 1st prize: \$400. 2nd prize: \$150. 3rd prize: \$100.

Mrs. R. J. Paterson's The Regent, 153 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 1
Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Gezeer, 159 lbs. (Mr. Ralph) 2
Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Rotheray, 150 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 3
Mr. R. M. Austin's Home Call, 165 lbs. (Mr. Cobbold) 4

Also ran: Boston, 148 lbs. (Mr. Stanton).

1½ lengths, 1 length.
Time: 1.37.2/5.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner \$15.50
Place 1st 8.60
2nd 11.30
3rd —

Fractions at the start, Home Call ran well in the first two furlongs but after that his "steadier" of 155 lbs. beat him.

The Regent and The Gezeer had the best of a good start, with Rotheray next. Going up the incline the favourite had run into second berth. He still showed fight till the ¼ mile post.

The Gezeer came on again, after passing the mile post. With somebody alongside of him, The Regent responded and drew away again.

Finding his old position on the rails, old Rotheray finished strongly but lost second money by a length.

Home Call was not in the picture after entering the straight. He was the first favourite of the day to "finish nowhere."

Winner Place
Home Call 345 256
The Regent 196 173
The Gezeer 57 98
Rotheray 54 32
Boston 25 19

3.—Polo pony steeple: three furlongs.—For bona fide polo Club. To be ridden by playing members of the Hong Kong Polo Club. Catchweights 163 lbs. 1st prize: \$200. 2nd prize: \$100. 3rd prize: \$50.

Black Mouse, 168 lbs. (Mr. Maude) 1
Urgent, 168 lbs. (Capt. Sturges) 2
District Call, 168 lbs. (Mr. Gordon) 3
Inkpot, 168 lbs. (Mr. Bousfield) 4

Also ran: Bill, 168 lbs. (Mr. Stanton); Shot III, 168 lbs. (Mr. Sugden); Benjamin, 168 lbs. (Mr. Reidy).

3 lengths, 1 length.
Time not taken.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner \$40.50
Place 1st 9.50
2nd 6.10
3rd 7.00

Black Mouse continued the sequence of upsets to form by staying in the van throughout the sprint.

Carrying all the money, Urgent went up early on and once barely got on terms but never looked like passing the winner in the straight.

District Call did not do so badly, running on at the end and displacing Inkpot for place money. The time for this race could not be taken as there is no 3 furlong post on the course.

Winner Place
Urgent 189 251
District Call 91 134
Benjamin 88 100
Bill 58 85
Black Mouse 58 81
Shot III 80 48
Inkpot 24 23

4.—Fourth Aggregate Stakes: one mile.—Value \$500. For all China ponies. Catch weights at 10 st. 9 lb. Winners of an open race or open griffin race value \$800 or over for ponies that have won the aggregate prize in the Gymkhana Stakes or Aggregate Stakes in any season 5 lb. extra. Non-winning subscription griffins allowed 5 lb.

Cup to be run for five times, or as decided by the Committee, called the Aggregate Cup, will be presented at the end of the season to be won by the pony scoring most marks in the race for the Aggregate Stakes at the extra meetings during the season, counting 4 points for a first; 2 for a second; and 1 for a third. The benefit of marks already scored to pass with the pony on a sale. Any winner of the race this season to carry 5 lbs. extra for each win in subsequent starts for the Race, but in the event of a pony carrying the penalty not winning, 2 lbs. to be deducted next time he starts, such 2 lbs. to remain deducted until he wins again, when he will carry the full penalties without deduction. Penalties accumulative up to 15 lbs. In the event of two or more ponies tying with the same number of marks after five races have been run the owners shall either divide the value of the Cup which is hereby placed at \$500, or shall run off on a day to be fixed by the Committee, not being the same day as the last race for the Stakes but within two weeks therefrom. In the event of a run off the weights shall be weight for inches as per scale. Entrance fee \$5. 2nd prize: \$200. 3rd prize: \$100.

Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Goblin (late Bundoran), 149 lbs. (Mr. Ralph) 1
Mr. R. M. Austin's Brigade Call, 155 lbs. (Mr. Cobbold) 2
Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Total Abstinence, 149 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 3
Mr. R. J. Paterson's September, 154 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 4

¾ length, 6 lengths.
Time: 2.11.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner \$8.60
Place 1st 6.20
2nd 6.10
3rd —

In the big event of the day, backers judged form nicely. Mr. Ralph rode with good judgment to bring home the only successful favourite of the day. On The Goblin, he stuck to September who was sent ahead by Mr. Brodie.

Brigade Call was content to run five lengths behind with Total Abstinence bringing up the rear.

After passing the rock, September was out of the race. Brigade Call was gaining ground at the last bend but never got in front. At the mile post it looked touch and go but The Goblin came again and snatched first place by less than a length. Brigade Call had too much leeway to make up but was an easy second.

Total Abstinence was eased up but finished in front of September.

This result makes the points in the Aggregate Cup—Saligia 12, Total Abstinence 6, Brigade Call 4, The Goblin 4. There is only one more race and The Goblin's victory yesterday has assured his stable-mate, Saligia, of the cup, whether he starts or not next month.

Winner Place
The Goblin 411 194
Brigade Call 219 207
Total Abstinence 101 102
September 63 47

5.—Reading Handicap: "B" class: six furlongs.—For China ponies. 1st prize: \$400. 2nd prize: \$150. 3rd prize: \$100.

Mr. H. Birkett's The Sand Piper, 160 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 1
Mrs. Bernard's Barley Grass, 145 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 2
Mrs. R. M. Austin's Grey Streak, 145 lbs. (Mr. Gordon) 3
Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Loch Rannoch, 164 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 4

2 lengths, 2 lengths.
Time: 1.37.1/5.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner \$16.40
Place 1st 6.70
2nd 5.90
3rd —

Pulled out for a second time, Barley Grass was forgiven his failure in the curtain-raiser but he disappointed once more. His performance is rather unique. Favourite in two races on the same day—and second each time! How exasperating.

The Sand Piper showed the way with Barley Grass and the former had a 3 lengths lead going up the hill. Barley Grass was second and Loch Rannoch third.

Positions were unchanged entering the straight. Mr. Stanton persevered with his mount to stave off a determined challenge by Mr. Brodie. Drive as he did, the latter failed by a narrow verdict. Punters who lost sporting dict. Punters who lost sporting dict. Punters who lost sporting dict.

Loch Rannoch relaxed neither the weight nor the going and faded out—last.

Winner Place
Barley Grass 224 199
The Sand Piper 141 110
Loch Rannoch 118 77
Grey Streak 37 42

6.—Theale Plate: one and a quarter miles.—For ponies that have been hunted regularly with the Fanning Hounds, to be ridden by subscribers to the Fanning Hunt. Catchweights 184 lbs. 1st prize: \$200. 2nd prize: \$100. 3rd prize: \$50.

Mr. L. Reidy's Mowgli, 184 lbs. (owner) 1
Capt. R. G. Sturges's Reynolds, 184 lbs. (owner) 2
Mr. T. C. T. Beck's Harford (late May Leaf), 164 lbs. (owner) 3
Mr. A. N. Lucey's Country Mouse, 184 lbs. (owner) 4

Also ran: October, 164 lbs. (Mr. Stanton); Spaghetti (164 lbs.), Mr. Bousfield; New York (164 lbs.), Mr. Charles; Drake (164 lbs.), Dr. Macgown.
2 lengths, 5 lengths.
Time: 3.01.1/5.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner \$25.50
Place 1st 8.60
2nd 6.30
3rd 39.10

It was the same old story—the favourite leading, most of the way and getting second.
Reynolds made the pace—a comparatively slow one—till entering the straight.
Mr. Reidy had remained in the middle and gradually crept up. At the rock, he rapidly overhauled Country Mouse and Harford and fought out the issue in the last 2 furlongs. At the distance post he had got on terms and drew away to win with sound judgment.

Country Mouse was second at the beginning, getting fourth behind Harford who, ran a poor third. October was fifth and Drake a bad last.

Winner Place
Reynolds 236 329
Drake 115 125
Mowgli 111 126
October 87 143
Country Mouse 26 50
New York 24 25
Harford 18 13
Spaghetti 9 6

7.—Beckhampton Handicap: "B" class: one and a quarter miles.—For China ponies. 1st prize: \$450. 2nd prize: \$200. 3rd prize: \$100.

Mr. W. T. Stanton's Beldorney Star, 144 lbs. (owner) 1
Messrs. Hall and Shenton's The Gomeril (late Donaghadee), 165 lbs. (Mr. Ralph) 2
Mr. Dryadust's Saracen, 153 lbs. (Capt. Sturges) 3
Mr. H. Birkett's The Golden Pheasant, 154 lbs. (Mr. Charles) 4

Also ran: Demon Boy (late The Gink, late Demon Boy), 153 lbs. (Mr. Sewell).
2 lengths, 1 length.
Time: 2.53.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner \$46.00
Place 1st 12.90
2nd 5.80
3rd —

This race was marred by an accident to Mr. Sewell, who in a striking new jacket of pink—the colours of Demon Boy—sustained a nasty fall through the saddle slipping off. Mr. Sewell was so heavily thrown that he was unable to move and had to be lifted off the course.

Demon Boy sprang out from the fall of the flag, with The Gomeril (favourite) keeping close watch.

After passing the stand for the first time, the field bunched up and kept close together till the ¼ mile post. Saracen made a rather early effort which was not good enough.

Mr. Stanton was last on Beldorney Star for most of the way and came through surprisingly to win without much difficulty. Entering the straight he swept past the others and stayed in the van.

There was a good fight down the straight. The Gomeril beating Saracen by a length.
The Golden Pheasant did not seem to love the game after 6 furlongs and appeared to like a shorter distance.

Winner Place
The Gomeril 331 460
Saracen 78 40
Demon Boy 65 63
Beldorney Star 36 65
The Golden Pheasant 35 37

8.—Beckhampton Handicap: "A" class: one and a quarter miles.—For China ponies. 1st prize: \$450. 2nd prize: \$200. 3rd prize: \$100.

Mrs. R. J. Paterson's Ukelele (late Melody Dahlia), 157 lbs. (Mr. Brodie) 1
Mr. Roda's Lady Luck, 183 lbs. (Mr. da Roza) 2
Messrs. Dyer and Beith's Total Abstinence, 182 lbs. (Mr. Reidy) 3
Messrs. Dunbar and Stanton's Boston, 148 lbs. (Mr. Stanton) 4

Also ran: The Gnome (late Shere Khan II), 155 lbs. (Mr. Ralph).
3 lengths, 1½ lengths.
Time not taken.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner \$15.70
Place 1st 8.50
2nd 10.20
3rd —

The last race of the day was run in almost total darkness with the lights from passing vehicles occasionally reflecting the colours.

It was seen that Lady Luck had dashed out and a great pace was cracked for most of the way. Total Abstinence hung on and The Gnome was also in front of Ukelele, which is surmised to have made up part of the leeway from the foot of the incline.

Ukelele, Lady Luck and The Gnome were very evenly backed. In the straight, Brodie came along with nice judgment. Lady Luck retained second place; but the pace, practically, "killed" the Gnome who got home a bad last.

Total Abstinence was still fighting at the end and took third from Boston who did better than expected.

By letting the others dash away and running his own race, Mr. Brodie was well rewarded by a confident victory.

Winner Place
Lady Luck 183 76
The Gnome 182 114
Ukelele 182 114
Total Abstinence 65 28
Boston 28 27

The last race of the day was

HOME SOCCER.

SATURDAY'S LEAGUE RESULTS.

AMENDED CABLE.

An amended cable has been received giving the full scores for Saturday's league soccer matches at Home.

London, October 9.
Football matches played to-day (home team given first except where stated) resulted:—
Inter-League.
Irish League 1, English League 6 (at Belfast).

Glasgow Cup.
Final round: Celtic 1, Rangers 0.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Aston Villa 3, Derby 1.
Bolton 4, Manchester United 0.
Burnley 2, Arsenal 0.
Cardiff 3, Sheffield 0.
Everton 0, Huddersfield 0.
Leeds 4, Blackburn 1.
Leicester 2, Sunderland 1.
Newcastle 1, Liverpool 0.
Wednesday 2, West Bromwich 1.
Tottenham 6, Birmingham 1.
West Ham 1, Bury 2.

Division II.

Clapton Orient 2, Middleborough 2.
Darlington 4, Notts Forest 2.
Fulham 4, Blackpool 0.
Hull 4, Bradford City 0.
Manchester City 1, Barnsley 1.
Notts County 2, Port Vale 1.
Oldham 3, Reading 1.
Preston N. E. 3, Grimsby 2.
South Shields 5, Chelsea 1.
Wolverhampton 2, Southampton 2.

Div. III (South).

Bristol Rovers 0, Bristol City 3.
Charlton 1, Bournemouth 3.
Coventry 3, Newport 1.
Crystal Palace 0, Aberdeen 0.
Exeter 3, Brentford 1.
Luton 2, Norwich 2.
Middlesbrough 0, Northampton 0.
Queen's Park Rangers 4, Plymouth 2.
Southend 0, Brighton 1.
Watford 4, Gillingham 0.
Swindon 3, Millwall 0.

Div. III (North).

Abercrombie 4, Halifax 2.
Bradford 2, Ashington 0.
Doncaster 4, Wigan 1.
Durham 1, Barrow 1.
Lincoln 1, Nelson 4.
Southport 2, Stockport 2.
Rochdale 3, Hartlepool 0.
Rotherham 0, New Brighton 0.
Stoke 2, Wrexham 0.
Tranmere 1, Crewe 0.
Walsall 0, Chesterfield 1.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Clyde 2, Hearts 3.
Cowdenbeath 1, Partick 2.
Dundee 2, St. Mirren 1.
Hamilton 1, Dundee 1.
Hibernians 1, Motherwell 1.
Kilmarnock 0, Aberdeen 0.
Morton 0, St. Johnstone 0.
Falkirk 2, Dumbfries 0.

"PROS" AT TENNIS.

New York, October 10.
Under a dazzling cluster of electric lights in Madison Square garden, upon a cork surfaced court in the presence of Mr. Smith, Governor of New York State, and Mr. Walker, Mayor of New York, and before an audience of not more than 7,000, Miss Suzanne Lenglen made her debut as a professional lawn tennis player. She beat Miss Mary Browne brilliantly 6-1, 6-1, and then partnering Vincent Richards, they defeated Miss Browne and Howard Kinsey 6-2, in a one-set match.

Miss Lenglen and Vincent Richards also beat Miss Browne and Ferat 6-2.—Ruter's American Service.

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GOLF CHAMPION.

BUDD RETAINS ALL-CHINA TITLE.

HOW HONG KONG FARED.

Shanghai, Oct. 9.
In the All-China Amateur Golf Championship (medal play, 4 rounds of 18 holes each) at the end of the first day Budd (Shanghai), the holder, led by four strokes, H. Kawasaki, being second, R. Akaboshi third, and Bliako (Shanghai) fourth.

The wind was a detrimental factor to good scoring throughout the day but there was a slight improvement in the afternoon.

The second 36 holes will be played to-morrow.—Ruter.

Shanghai, Oct. 10.
M. W. Budd retained the title of the All-China golf champion, A. R. Bliako being second and Kawasaki and Malcolm tying for third place.

The wind was again detrimental to good play, but did not down in the afternoon. Nevertheless the driving was affected.

A slight drizzle made the course slower affecting the putting.

Budd, who was putting well throughout the day, had bud luck on several occasions. Bliako failed on the green, missing several short putts. Kawasaki was playing beautiful golf, but not accurately enough to be first-class. Malcolm played a sound game throughout.

The full scores follow:—
1st Day 2nd Day Total
Budd (H.K.) 81 70 151
Bliako 86 77 163
Kawasaki 89 79 168
Malcolm 85 82 167
R. Akaboshi 84 78 162
A. H. Bergeson 84 81 165
Poland 84 81 165
Ogami 81 87 168
Douglas 82 86 168
K. M. Cumming 95 98 193
Crompton 85 87 172
Pettitt 97 82 179
Hawkins 88 88 176
C. O. Cumming 95 98 193
N. Smith (H.K.) 85 97 182
Morando 95 98 193
Muratori 91 94 185
L. R. Andrews (H.K.) 90 89 179
J. D. E. Pendered (H.K.) 84 95 179
Robinson 92 92 184
Tippin 84 95 179
Torrance 98 95 193
Captain E. W. Morris (H.K.) 94 92 186
Jensen 95 99 194
Lopes 101 92 193
Rose 100 104 204
Mills 100 98 198
Hasthurst 89 89 178
I. W. Shawan (H.K.) 88 84 172
Gray 87 85 172
S. Akaboshi 89 91 180
Tanguchi 97 88 185
White 91 86 177
Bruce 84 95 179
Watson 105 70 175
*Do not total correctly. —Ruter.

V.R.C. SPORTS.

SATURDAY'S NIGHT FETE & CONCLUSION.

COLONY'S CHAMPIONSHIPS.

In unfavourable weather, the V.R.C. annual swimming sports (including the Colony's championships) were concluded with a night fete on Saturday.

All the events on the programme were successfully completed with good competition in spite of the adverse conditions which the swimmers experienced in the water owing to the cold snap brought on by the typhoon.

The following were the results of the day's events.

100 Yards Open Championship of the Colony:—1, D. Lyon; 2, G. R. Razavet. Time: 61.64.3/5.

100 Yards Boys' Championship of the Colony:—1, J. S. Lyon; 2, W. Lawrence. Time: 67.67.1/5.

50 Yards Hurdles Handicap (Members):—1, S. A. Mar

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Elsie Denton (sixteen) student, found the remains of a diary in a Washington dump which purported to tell how the husband of the writer sold the revolver used in the Hall-Mills murder in New Jersey for \$1,000. Police sought the writer.



"When is daddy coming home?" asks Beth Singer who waits patiently on her doorstep. Her father, John M. Singer, was the last of three New York policemen to be killed in three days by gunmen.



William Dwyer, convicted as "bootleg king" of the Atlantic coast, obtained a series of respites from prison so that a doctor could treat his sore foot.



Gertrude Ederle was showered with flowers when she returned to Paris after her successful swim across the English Channel.



Mr. William Hoover, director of the Smithsonian Institution observatory, took Betty Jean Hoover with him when he left for a trip into wildest Africa. Hoover will observe the sun there.



The famed Mrs. Fifi Weldener Leidy was snatched on her way to the Saratoga track, where her horse, Laddie, was entered. The horse lost.



Mr. Thomas A. Edison was evidently interested in the conversation of Mr. E. C. Barnes at the Edison home at Lewellyn Park. Employees honoured him there on the 49th anniversary of his invention of the phonograph.



The TC-9 made an imaginary attack upon the Capitol at Washington in air manoeuvres from the Langley Field base. The Capitol was demolished—in theory.



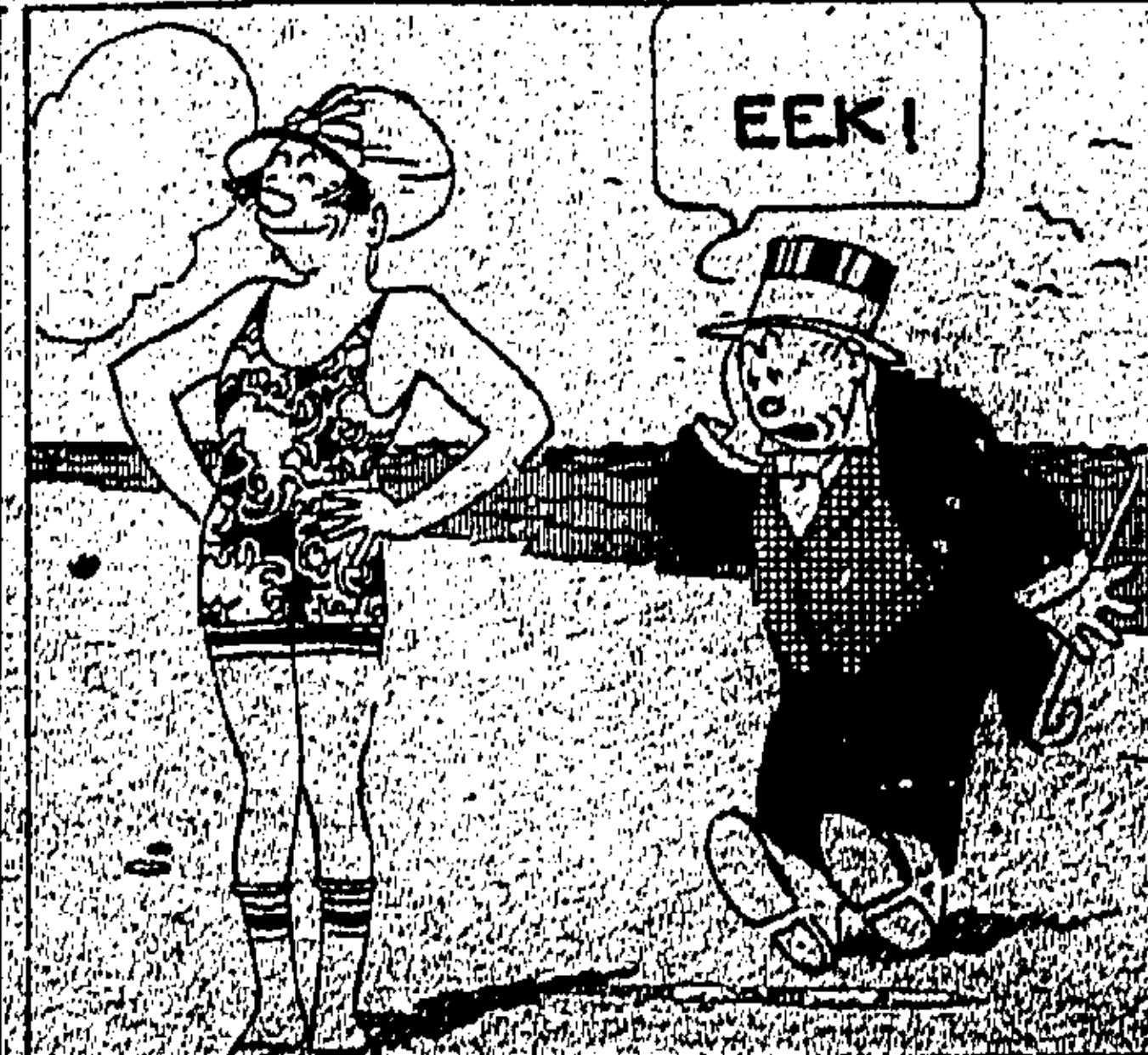
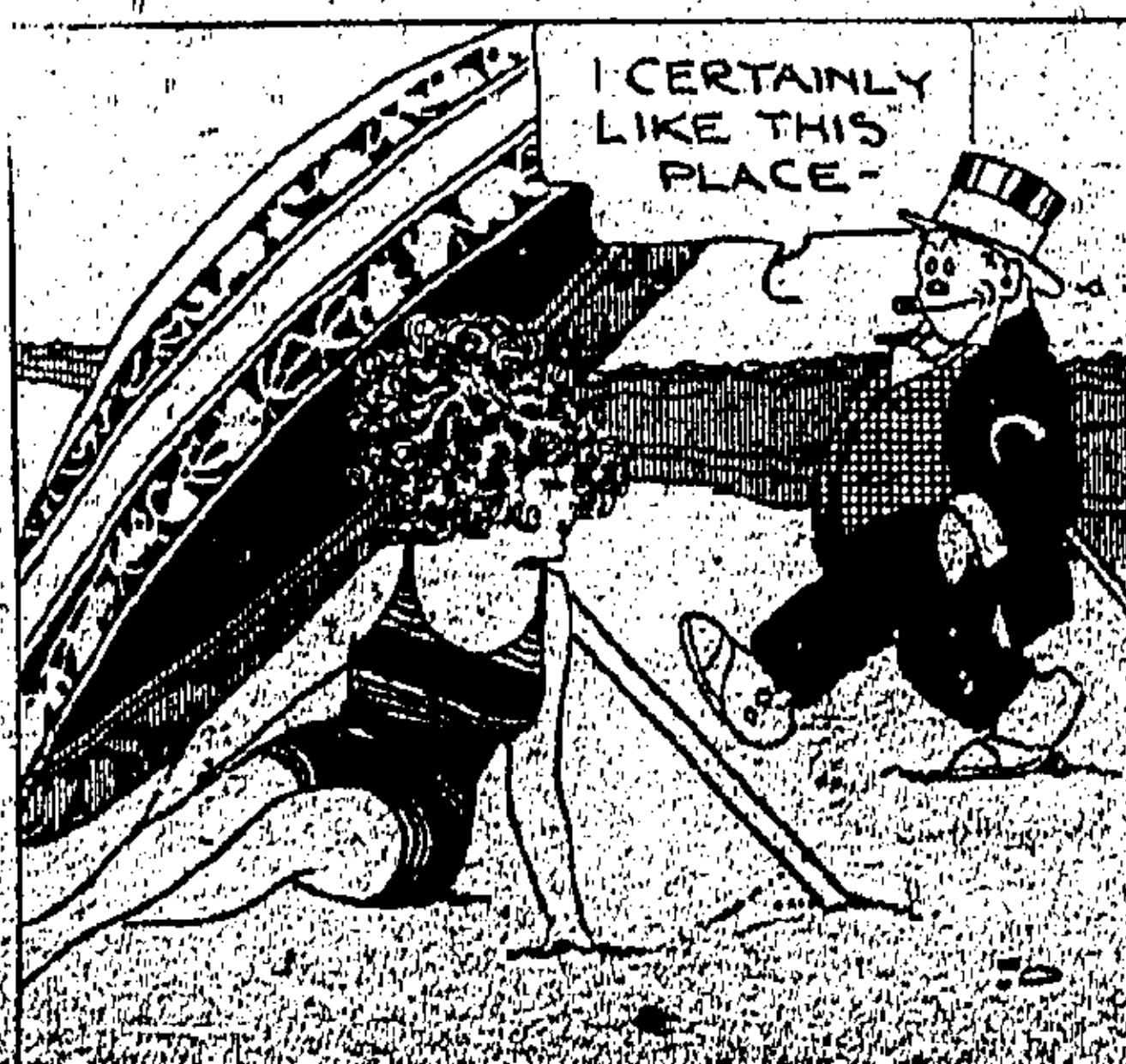
This group, dedicated to "Steel," is a striking object on the grounds of the Philadelphia Sesqui-Centennial Exposition.

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AT THE QUEEN'S.

"THE RAINBOW TRAIL" TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW.

"The Rainbow Trail" is even more thrilling than "Riders of the Purple Sage," to which it is the sequel. Both stories are by Zane Grey, and therefore both truly Western.

In the mountains of the Northwest, Mix and Tony, his wonder horse, ride through perilous adventures. While making the picture, Mix performed deeds of new daring. The story is full of swift situations. Anne Cornwall shows marked dramatic ability in her portrayal of the leading role opposite Mr. Mix.

Several hilariously funny episodes are contributed by Mark Hamilton and Lucien Littlefield, a picturesque pair of western comedians. Others who support Mix are George Bancroft, the principal villain; Diana Miller, a lesser villain; Steve Clemente, Vivian Oakland, Tom Dehmar, Fred De Silva, Carol Holloway and Doc Roberts.

"The Rainbow Trail" is an engrossing story of a man's hunt for the girl of his dreams. The trail leads him to Surprise Valley, where his uncle, Jim Lassiter, a woman and the girl have been held prisoner for years. An outlay band tries to thwart his efforts to rescue them, but, after overcoming apparently insurmountable obstacles and fighting a desperate battle, he succeeds.

AT THE STAR.

BUSTER KEATON IN "THREE AGES."

Buster Keaton plays three difficult roles in his Metro picture, "Three Ages," to be finally screened at the Star Theatre to-day.

He is cast as a mastodon hunter in the stone age, as a gladiator in the Roman era and as a ninety-pound quarterback in a stirring football game in the present age. And off the movie lot Buster is captain of his own baseball team which plays championship games around Los Angeles.

In the cast with Buster in "Three Ages" are Margaret Leahy, Wallace Beery, Lillian Lawrence, Joe Roberts and "Cupid" Morgan. It was directed by Buster Keaton and Eddie Gine from the story by Jean Havez, Joe Mitchell and Clyde Bruckman. It was photographed by William McGann and Elgin Leashy with Fred Gabouri as art director. It is a Joseph M. Schenck presentation, through Metro.

WORLD THEATRE.

"SOUTHERN LOVE" TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW.

Here is a British film of outstanding merit, with Betty Blythe, the star of "Chu Chin Chow" and "Queen of Sheba" in the leading part. It will be shown to-day and to-morrow.

There are several distinctive features about this picture. It was the first film that ever had its premier at the Albert Hall in London; it was the first film sold by Europe to America for a quarter of a million gold dollars; it was the first film which had the distinction of being accompanied by the London Symphony Orchestra at its opening; the Albert Hall screen is the biggest in the world, the audience was 10,000 strong, and music was written for the picture by a leading European composer.

The scene is laid in Spain and concerns the rise to fame and the disillusionment which follows, of Dolores, a gypsy dancer. In the cast are:—Herbert Langley, (Pedro), a Gipsy Singer; Randle Ayrton, Count de Silva; Warwick Ward, Dick Tennant; Liana Haid, Countess de Silva; and Betty Blythe, (Dolores, the Dancer).

Betty Blythe, needs no bush. Randle Ayrton played a leading part in "Dagmaron Nights," after which he fulfilled a starring engagement on the New York stage. Herbert Langley is both an opera singer and film star. His work in "Flames of Passion" and "Chu Chin Chow" has made his name familiar throughout the whole country.

Liana Haid is said to be the most beautiful woman on the continent of Europe, and Warwick Ward is one of the most promising of British leading juveniles.

Press reports subsequent to the premiere included the following:—

"All the sensational possibilities of a thrilling story have been fully exploited, amid settings of unusual charm."—"Daily Express."

"One of the most ambitious films ever made by a British producing firm."—"Westminster Gazette."

"An outstanding British picture which should reap success wherever it is shown."—"London Evening News."

Hankow, Sept. 29.—General Chang Kai-shek has appointed General Ho Cheng-jui to be Chief of the Bureau for the Pacification of Northern Hupeh. A group of Americans demanded an interview with General Tang Sheng-chi, in an endeavour to mediate for peace, yesterday. General Tang refused to receive them on the grounds that both Generals Chen Chia-moy and Liu Yu-chun had repeatedly broken their promises.

COMING FILMS.

"MADAME SANS GENE" NEXT ON LIST.

It goes without saying that the next event of importance in things cinematographic, is the appearance of Gloria Swanson in her great film, "Madame Sans Gene." The following notice appeared in all N.Y. daily journals some time last year, but was printed in French.

Ladies and Gentlemen: We have the honour to announce that the first performance of the motion picture made from the famous play of Victorien Sardou and Emile Moreau, "Madame Sans Gene," will take place at the Rivoli Theatre, Friday, April 17, 1926, at eight thirty o'clock. The Divine Gloria, now the Marquise de la Falaie de la Coudray, plays the chief role. The Marquis and Marquise, and also a number of notables of France and America, will be present at this gala performance. Tickets can be obtained by application and are \$5.00 each. (All seats are reserved.) "Madame Sans Gene" was filmed with the co-operation of the Ministry of Fine Arts of France and of the French Government. "Madame Sans Gene" is a Paramount Picture.

"Clothes Make the Pirate." Dorothy Gish will once more be seen in the type of role at which she has no peer in the screen world—that of a shrew. With Leon Errol, Miss Gish is the star of the Sam E. Rork comedy, "Clothes Make the Pirate," a First National picture.

Miss Gish has the role of a caustic nagging wife while Errol portrays a timid old Yankee tailor who secretly fancies himself a fierce pirate chief. The story, a whimsical satire, was taken from the current novel of the same title by Holman Day. Maurice Tourneur directed. A thrilling battle between a pirate ship and a British frigate is one of the features.

Others in the exceptionally strong cast are Nita Naldi, James Rennie, Edna Murphy, Tully Marshall, George Marion, Frank Lawlor and Walter Law.

The health statement for the Municipality of George Town, Penang, for the week ending September 25, 1926, shows a total of 68 deaths—37 males and 19 females—the death-rate being 21.47 per mille compared with 24.53 in the preceding week and with 26.68 in the corresponding week of last year. The chief causes of mortality were fever, 15, phthisis 7, pneumonia 4, diarrhoea 2 and convulsions 5. The deaths include 2 Eurasians, 37 Chinese, 5 Malays, 11 Indians and 1 others. The birth rate was 37.57 and the infant mortality 112.

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INWARD MAILS.

FROM	MONDAY, OCTOBER 11.	FROM
U.S.A. Canada, Japan, Shanghai & Europe via Siberia.	Pros. McKinley	
Shanghai	Shoochow	
Bangkok	Kalgan	
Straits	Kumsang	
Amoy	Van Overstraten	
Manila	Empress of Asia	
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12.		
Shanghai	D'Artagnan	
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13.		
Shanghai	Porthos	
Suez and Straits	Antenor	
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14.		
U.S.A. Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	Pros. Lincoln	
Japan	Kanagawa Maru	
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15.		
Australia and Manila	Mishima Maru	
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16.		
Straits	Namsang	
MONDAY, OCTOBER 18.		
Suez and Straits	Ningchow	
Straits	Atsuta Maru	

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR	TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12.	FOR	TIME
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa.	Alaska Maru	10.30 a.m.	
Bahrein, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa.	Alaska Maru	10.30 a.m.	
U.S.A. via Marseilles—due Marseilles 15th Nov. Registration 11.45 p.m. Letters 1.30 p.m.	D'Artagnan	3 p.m.	
Amoy and Foochow	Kalgan	5 p.m.	
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13.			
Straits	Van Overstraten	10 a.m.	
Shanghai	Porthos	12.30 p.m.	
Straits	Tjalsak	3 p.m.	
Bangkok	Kumsang	2.30 p.m.	
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. & S. America & EUROPE via Vancouver, B.C.—due Vancouver R.O. 1st Nov. Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	Empress of Asia	14.	
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14.			
Swallow, Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru	10.30 a.m.	
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15.			
Manila	Pros. Lincoln	1.30 p.m.	
L. Marous & South Africa	Kanagawa Maru	1.30 p.m.	
Wohaiwai	Hutchow	2.30 p.m.	
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt, & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles 15th Nov. Parcels 3 p.m. 15th Oct. Registration 4.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Van Overstraten	10 a.m.	
Manila, AUSTRALIA & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 17th Oct. Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	Mishima Maru	10.30 a.m.	
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16.			
Japan	Kanagawa Maru	9.30 a.m.	
Bangkok	Kalgan	2.30 p.m.	
Hohow and Haijohg	Ming ang	5 p.m.	
Shanghai and Japan	Namsang	5 p.m.	
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17.			
Shanghai, Japan, Hongkong, Canada, U.S.A. & S. America & EUROPE via San Francisco—due San Francisco 15th Nov. & Europe via Liberia (letters and parcels only) supercargoed (via Sibiria only) Registration 10.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Empress of Asia	14.	

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

COAL STRUGGLE.

SAFETY MEN TO STAY ON DUTY.

LEICESTER BREAKS AWAY.

London, Oct. 9.
"I can say plainly that the Miners' Federation is unable in any part of Britain to withdraw real safety men," declared Mr. Shirkie, Secretary of the National Federation of Colliery Enginemen, Boilermen, and Mechanics in an interview with Reuter.
He added: "We don't take their resolution seriously" because practically all of the safety men were controlled by his Federation which was not going to withdraw them.—Reuter.

Definite Decision.

Later.
The Executive Council of the National Federation of Colliery Enginemen, Boilermen and Mechanics, which controls practically all the safety men, has decided not to withdraw the safety men from the collieries.

How the coal shortage, in consequence of the British strike, is hampering the Continental manufacturers is illustrated by Gothenburg regarding the imminence of a fuel famine.
Dealers have so far postponed purchases, hoping for an early end to the dispute.

As it is now impossible to secure coal for November delivery, prices for later delivery are bounding daily.
A contract of 5,000 tons has been lodged in America at 54/- a ton. Difficulties are accentuated by the freight rates having been recently doubled.—Reuter.

A BREAK AWAY.

London, Oct. 10.
The Leicestershire Miners' Council has decided to call off the strike. Nearly 60 per cent. of the Leicestershire miners had already resumed.—Reuter.

POLICY OF DESPAIR.

Rugby, Oct. 10.
It will not be known until next Thursday if the miners' district Lodges approve of the latest suggestion of the Delegate Conference to withdraw the safety men from the pits.

The proposal is widely criticised as a "policy of despair," and, even if adopted, it is likely to be without effect.

The great majority of safety men are not affiliated to the Miners' Unions, and there is no possibility whatever that they will cease the work of keeping the pits in order, on which they have been engaged throughout the dispute.

Even if the safety workers who are in the Miners' Unions responded to the call, there would be little difficulty in carrying on the work that they have been doing.—British Wireless Service.

AT LOGGERHEADS.

COMMUNIST RIFT IN MOSCOW.

Moscow, October 9.
"In view of the violation of party discipline by the most prominent members of the Opposition," the Political Bureau of the Communist party has resolved to submit to the next plenary meeting of the committee of the Central Controlling Commission the question of imposing due party penalties on Trotsky, Zinovieff and Piatakov.—Reuter.

An earlier message from Riga stated that the Moscow Committee of the Communist Party has requested the Central Committee to renege with a number of leaders of the Opposition who are allegedly responsible for many secret meetings and the distribution of much illegal literature. The names mentioned include Trotsky, Zinovieff and Radek.

COLONIAL INSTITUTE

OPENED BY QUEEN OF HOLLAND.

Amsterdam, Oct. 9.
The palatial new Colonial Institute has been officially opened by Queen Wilhelmina.—Reuter.

DELVILLE WOOD.

WAR MEMORIAL TO AFRICANS.

Rugby, October 9.
The South African National Memorial at Delville Wood, on the Somme, will be unveiled to-morrow by Mrs. Louis Botha, General Hertzog, Prime Minister of the Union, and many eminent South Africans will be present, together with Marshal Joffre, representing the French, and Field-Marshal Lord Haig, representing the British armies.

Delville Wood is piece of France sacred to South Africa and the design of the memorial unites it with the great imperial war grave and cemetery where he all recovered bodies of those who fell in Delville Wood battles.

The memorial, however, is dedicated to all South Africans who gave their lives in the war, as is shown by the inscription, on it, which is graven both in English and Dutch, and reads:—
"To the immortal dead from South Africa, who at the call of duty made the great sacrifice on the battlefields of Africa, Asia and Europe and on sea, this memorial is dedicated in proud and grateful recognition by their countrymen."

Many of those attending, the ceremony will be taken there and back to-morrow in a special set of Imperial Airways machines.—British Wireless Service.

A Striking Speech.

London, Oct. 19.
In the presence of a great and representative gathering, including Prince Arthur of Connaught, Lord Buxton, Lord Gladstone, the Earl of Selborne, General Hertzog, Lord Haig, representatives of Marshal Joffre, the South African Defence Forces, ex-Servicemen, and relatives of the fallen, Mrs. Botha unveiled the imposing South African war memorial at Delville Wood on the Somme.

General Hertzog, in a striking speech, said that the South Africans had marched to the battle-field with all the fervour and determination born of the conviction of the righteousness of their cause. If militarism still stalked the face of Europe the blame was not theirs. It now rested with the statesmen of Europe—especially the victorious statesmen to justify the confidence of the world and realise the high and noble purpose of the war.—Reuter.

COTTON PRICES.

LOWEST FOR FIVE YEARS IN NEW YORK.

New York, October 9.
Cotton has dropped 82 points to-day—the lowest point for five years—following publication of the Government Estimates. Half of the loss was later recovered on heavy domestic selling. The foreign mill buying market closed at 42 to 50 points lower on the day. It is believed that a crop of seventeen million bales is certain with good weather.—Reuter.

Special Committee Appointed.

Washington, Oct. 9.
President Coolidge has appointed a special committee of Government officials to investigate cotton market conditions and to recommend measures to relieve the situation arising from the slump in prices.—Reuter's American Service.

154 ENTOMBED.

MINE CALAMITY IN AFRICA.

Dundee (Natal), Oct. 9.
Four Europeans and 150 natives are entombed in the Durban Navigation Colliery at Durban as the result of an explosion in the shaft.

Eleven dead natives have so far been brought up by the rescuers, who are now searching the deeper levels.—Reuter.

CRUISER'S TRIP.

AMSTERDAM TO NEW YORK.

New York, October 9.
The new Dutch cruiser "Sumatra" has arrived from Amsterdam en route to the Dutch East Indies and the officers and crew are to be entertained here this week prior to proceeding to San Francisco.—Reuter's American Service.

LORD D'ABERNON.

RETIRES FROM AMBASSADOR POST IN BERLIN.

Rugby, October 9.
Lord D'Abernon, the retiring British Ambassador in Berlin, who is returning to Britain to-morrow, presented his letters of recall to President von Hindenburg yesterday.

A large crowd had gathered outside the palace in the Wilhelmstrasse, and Berlin correspondents state that the Ambassador's departure has provoked a remarkable display of regret on the part of all classes of Germans.

Addressing the President, the Ambassador reviewed the events during the six years of his mission. He mentioned the stabilisation of Germany's currency, after a crisis unparalleled in history, of Germany's passage through financial chaos to financial equilibrium, and the reorganisation of her industry and commerce upon a basis auguring well for the future material prosperity.

He added: "In the sphere of politics the transformation has been no less remarkable, and I leave Germany at peace with her neighbours, her security assured by the Treaty of Locarno, and her place among the nations at Geneva established by universal consent."

The President, in replying, said that the policy of permanent European peace had made an important step forward, and in that evolution Lord D'Abernon had taken a paramount share which would not be forgotten.

The Ambassador was presented by the Government of the Reich with a magnificent antique silver centrepiece.—British Wireless Service.

PEKING NOTES.

FENG TIEN'S GRASP ON THE CAPITAL.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Peking, Oct. 2.
Though Chang Tso-lin studiously refrains from seizing control of the Cabinet, and lets the powerless Wu Pei-fu nominees hang on to their jobs, he is gradually making water-tight his actual control of Peking and the surrounding territory.

When the commandant of the Peking Garrison, a Wu Pei-fu man, left the city last week, Chang Tso-lin's young son stepped in, assumed control of the garrison, and incorporated the garrison into the Fengtien armies, announcing at the same time that General Wang had been superseded as commander by General Yu Chen.

Political Shuffle.

The Cabinet has decided to hang on for a time. Wu Pei-fu has wired urging the members not to desert, and Chang Tso-lin has told the members he does not want to displace them.
There has, however, been a reshuffling of portfolios, in secret conferences. Dr. Wellington Koo, who has been Finance Minister, has transferred to the post of Foreign Minister. He will also henceforth be Acting Premier.
The former Premier, Admiral Tu Hsi-kuei, remains in the Cabinet as Minister of the Navy, and Mr. Pan Fu will probably succeed Mr. Koo as Minister of Finance. Admiral Tai Ting-kan, ill in a French Hospital in the Legation Quarter, persists in resigning, and may leave the Cabinet.

Russo-Asiatic Bank.
On only one point has the new Cabinet (which is really the old re-arranged) announced a policy. That policy is that the assets of the defunct Russo-Asiatic Bank shall not be removed from China, and that the Chinese Government will oversee the entire liquidation proceedings.

The Government owns nearly 5,000,000 taels, worth of stock in the bank, besides being a large creditor owing to the fact that a portion of the Customs and Salt Gabelle revenues were deposited with the institution.

The Peking Bankers' Association, composed entirely of Chinese bankers, is petitioning the Government to force the depositing of all Customs and Salt Gabelle funds in Chinese banks. They point out that the Russo-Asiatic is the third foreign depository which has gone into liquidation, and that China has so far never lost a dollar of deposits in a Chinese bank.

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